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Capital Issued	31,00,000	0	0
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Capital Paid-up	16,33,439	15	5
Reserve Funds	13,37,432	9	

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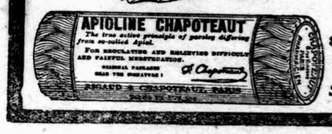

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PUBLIC NOTICES.

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NOTICE.

IT IS NOTIFIED for information that the date of the BOMBAY 4th EXTRA MEETING has been ALTERED from Wednesday 2nd January to TUESDAY, 1st January, 1918.

E. F. LANCE,
Ag. Secretary,
Western India Turf Club.
Bombay, 28th December, 1917. 1535

WARNING.

ATTENTION is invited to the following warning, dated 19th Decemer, 1917, issued by the Indian Munitions Board:—

H. A. L. HEPPER,
Controller of Munitions,
Bombay Circle.

Bombay, 27th December, 1517.

WARNING.

The Indian Munitions Board warns merchants and dealers that the Board has at present no travelling purchasing agents; should such be appointed they will be provided with credentials signed by an officer of the Board.

2. Persons receiving communications, signed with the name—

C. H. WESTON

on behalf of the Board, are advised immediately to place the matter in the hands of the police.

3. Any firm in doubt of the bona fides of an individual claiming to represent the Board can obtain information by reference to the undersigned.

By Order,
T. RYAN,
Secretary.
Indian Munitions Board.
Delhi, 19th December, 1917. 1523.

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PUBLIC NOTICES.

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

AN ORDINARY MONTHLY MEETING of the Corporation will be held in the Municipal Office on MONDAY, the 7th January, 1918, at 3 p.m. (Bombay Time), for the consideration of the following business:—

1. Letter from Mr. S. A. Leao—Thanking the Corporation for their resolution on the death of his father, the late Mr. D. F. Leao.

2. Letter from Mr. M. M. Murzban—Thanking the Corporation for their resolution on the death of his father, the late Khan Bahadur Muncherjee Cowasjee Murzban.

3. Letter from the Commissioner—Reporting the arrival of the new Municipal banner.

4. Letter from Messrs. Holland and Co.—Regarding nuisance caused by the overflowing of man-holes in Calicut Street.

5. Letter from Mr. Raghunath Shridhar Kelkar—Regarding nuisance caused by a Cabinet Factory at Gowalia Tank Road.

6. Letter from the Matunga Residents' Association—Regarding an alleged extension of the Eastern Chemical Company's premises at Matunga.

Resolutions of the Standing Committee—

7. Forwarding a report regarding the unexpended balance of the grants for improving the lighting of the northern part of the City.

8—9. Sanctioning, subject to the Corporation's orders, certain Budget transfers.

10. Recommending sanction to the laying of a 5in. water main at Frere Bridge, Grant Road.

11. Recommending a grant of Rs. 13,340-8-0 to supplement the grant sanctioned for the acquisition of two plots of land required in connection with the King Edward Memorial Hospital and the proposed new Medical College.

12. Framing, subject to confirmation by the Corporation, additional regulations for the grant of leave and allowances to Municipal employes joining the Indian Defence Force.

13. Recommending that in reply to his letter, regarding the nuisance caused by the accumulation of mud and water near his residence on the Sun Mills Road, Mr. Nusserwanji Hormusji Mithaiwalla be informed to the effect of the Commissioner's report

14 17. Sanctioning, subject to the Corporation's orders, certain Budget transfers

18. Forwarding, for information, their resolution sanctioning a revised schedule for the Commissioner's Personal and General Office Establishments.

19—20. Sanctioning, subject to the Corporation's orders, certain Budget transfers.

21. Recommending a grant of Rs. 595 for payment to certain employes of a temporary war allowance of Rs. 10 per mensem each in lieu of the grain compensation allowance.

22. Recommending that an advance of Rs. 8,164 be made to meet the payment of rent due to Government in respect of the land in Palton Road formerly occupied by the Municipal Workshops.

23. Recommending a grant of Rs. 2,241-3-0 to meet the cost of erecting a corrugated iron shed for the storage of kerosene oil.

24. Forwarding a report regarding the writing off of the book value of certain articles.

25. Recommending that the letter from Mr. Rustomji Jamsetji Postwalla, regarding the proposed increase in the General Tax and the anticipated rise in rents, be recorded.

26.—28. Sanctioning, subject to the Corporation's orders, certain Budget transfers.

29. Recommending a grant of Rs. 4,500 to meet the payment of fees due to Mr. G. Wittet, Consulting Architect to Government, for preparing a design of the King Edward Memorial Hospital at Bombay.

30—39. Sanctioning, subject to the Corporation's orders, certain Budget transfers.

40. Forwarding, for information, their resolution sanctioning a variation of the schedule of the Fire Brigade establishment.

41. Recommending a grant of Rs. 1,192-8-0 to meet the payment of increased pay to peons of different Municipal Departments.

42. Forwarding a report regarding the writing off of the book value of certain articles of stores stolen from the Bellasis Bridge Pipe Depot.

43. Recommending a grant of Rs. 8,368 to meet the cost of constructing two sheds for animals brought for slaughter at the Bandora Slaughter Houses.

44. Recommending that in reply to his letter, on behalf of Mr. Hirjibhai Hormusji, regarding the nuisance caused by a choke in the storm-water gully trap at premises No. 141, Khetwadi Main Road, Mr. Cawashah M. Talyarkhan, Vakil, High Court, be informed to the effect of the Commissioner's report.

45. Recommending that in reply to his letter, regarding the condition of a lane between the Presidency and Planet Mills off the Fergusson Road, Mr. R. G. Mahimkar be informed to the effect of the Commissioner's report.

46. Budget Estimates of Income and Expenditure for the year 1918-19.

Notices of motions—

47—48. From Dr. Nadirshaw H. E. Sukhia—(47) For levying the General Tax at 9½ per cent. and (48) For levying the water tax on valuation at 2½ per cent. and for calculating the estimates of revenue from water supplied to mills at the rate of annas 9 per 1,000 gallons.

49. From Dr. Ratanshah T. Nariman—For levying the water tax on valuation at 2 5/8 per cent.

Government letters—

50. Regarding the grant of permission to the Port Trust for the laying of three

PUBLIC NOTICES.

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

(Continued.)

new railway crossings to replace the existing five crossings on Frere Road.

51 (a). Regarding the question of increasing the fares for season tickets in connection with the suburban and local railway service. (b). Letter from Messrs. Duphtary, Ferreira and Divan, Solicitors, on behalf of Mr. Anandrao Ganpatrao and others On the same subject.

52. Bombay Improvement Trust letter—Forwarding a notification issued by the Board relating to an alteration of Parel Road (Central) Street Scheme—

53. Further consideration of the question of improving the condition of Tulsirampada at Chinchpokli.

54 (a). Letter from Mr. Ghanasham Harischandra Rele—Regarding the charge levied by the Bombay Electric Supply and Tramways Co. for the supply of electric energy in cases in which the consumption for a quarter falls below 40 units; (b). Tramways Co.'s letter on the subject.

Letters from the Commissioner—

55. Requesting sanction to revised regular lines being prescribed for a portion of Bazar Gate Street between Fort Street and Manordas Street.

56. Forwarding a return of unwholesome food-stuff destroyed by the Market Department.

57. Requesting sanction to a portion of the road between the level crossing gates at Curry Road being permanently closed.

58. Requesting sanction to an extension of the lease of a piece of set-back land at Muzavar Pakhady Road to Mr. Rustamji Edulji Baria.

59. Requesting approval to the sale of cast iron scrap to Mr. Hussonally Adamji.

Notices of Motions—

60. From Mr. S. C. Dhondy—For expressing opinion that the Standing Committee should appoint Sub-Committees to investigate cases in which their sanction is required for sanitary and other requirements.

61. From Mr. Mahomed Hoosen A. Havelivala—For obtaining a report regarding licenses for the storage of cotton.

Letters from the Commissioner—

62. Requesting sanction to the construction of a portion of the main sewer for the north of the Island from Sion Fort to the proposed pumping station at Dadar.

63. Forwarding a return showing the pressure in the water mains.

64. Forwarding Analytical and Bacteriological Reports on the Bombay Water-Supplies.

65. Forwarding statements of public roads metalled and repaired and new roads built and acquired.

Schools Committee's letters—

66. Forwarding excerpts from the Committee's proceedings.

67. Regarding an offer made by Khan Bahadur Hakim Mahomed Dayam to hand over a building and land at Matunga for a Marathi Primary School.

Letters from the Commissioner—

68. Regarding proposals for utilizing a plot of land at the junction of Gunbow Street and Raghunath Dadaji Street.

69. Forwarding for approval a plan and estimate for the construction of a combined dispensary and school building at Sandhurst Road.

70. Forwarding an estimate of the cost of taking silt from sewers to Deonar.

71. Reporting on the condition of Musjid Bunder Road.

72. Forwarding an application from the Salsette Chemical Co. for supply of water to a factory which they propose to erect at Vikroli.

73. Forwarding a note by Dr. Turner regarding the work done in connection with the control of tuberculosis in Bombay.

74. Forwarding an application from Dr. J. A. Turner, Executive Health Officer, for combined leave from the 1st May 1918, preparatory to retirement.

75. Forwarding the Municipal Servants' List corrected upto the 31st October 1917.

Memoranda from the Municipal Secretary—

76—79. Submitting (76) a statement of the Budget transfers sanctioned by the Standing Committee, (77) a list of Resolutions passed by the Corporation calling for reports from the Commissioner which have not been received, (78) a statement of Outstanding Committees of the Corporation, and (79) a statement giving particulars concerning the appointment of members on Committees of the Corporation.

Reports of Committees of the Corporation—

80. Regarding the proposed amendment of the Criminal Procedure Code in respect of the powers conferred by the Code upon the Presidency Magistrates.

81. Regarding the condition of the Bombay water-supply.

82. Regarding proposed amendment of the Municipal Act with a view to bringing sweetmeat shops in the City under Municipal control.

83. Forwarding a draft representation to Government for transferring to the Corporation the powers and duties vested in the City Improvement Trust.

84. Regarding the question of filling in the Bhuleshwar Tank.

85. Regarding the maintenance of roads in the City.

By order of the President,
R. P. MASANI,
Municipal Secretary.

Municipal Corporation Office,
Bombay, 28th December, 1917.

BANK OF BOMBAY.

THE BANK will be CLOSED on MONDAY and TUESDAY, the 31st instant and 1st proximo, those days being Public Holidays (New Years, under the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881.

R. AITKEN,
Secretary and Treasurer.
Bombay, 21st December, 1917. 1489

LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE.

RE: ESTATE OF THE LATE SETH GORDHANDAS KHATTAU .....Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons claiming debts or liabilities affecting the estate of the abovenamed SETH GORDHANDAS KHATTAU, deceased, who died at Nasik on the 17th day of November, 1916, and Probate of whose Will having effect throughout the whole of British India was granted on the 21st day of December, 1917, to Bai VIJKOREBAI, the widow and TRICUMDAS GORDHANDAS and TULSIDAS GORDHANDAS the sons of the said deceased and three of the Executors named in the Will of the said deceased (power being reserved to MULRAJ KHATTAU, the other Executor named in the said Will to come in and prove the Will) are hereby required to send in their claims to the said Executors at their office in Oriental Building, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, within one calendar month from the date hereof, at the expiration of which time the Executors will hand over the assets to the persons entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have notice.

Dated this 28th day of December, 1917.
CRAIGIE, BLUNT & CAROE,
1532 Attorneys for the said Executors.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mrs. MARY KATHERINE SHARP and Mrs. SELINA MABEL WARD have contracted with our client Mr. AMBALAL SARABHAI for the absolute sale to him free from all claims and incumbrances of the undermentioned property. All persons having any claim or interest to or in the said property or any part thereof by way of sale, gift, inheritance, residence, use, trust, maintenance, possession, mortgage, ease, lien, charge or otherwise, howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office, Albert Building, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, as otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claims, if any, and the same will be considered and treated as having been absolutely waived and abandoned.

THE DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

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Dated this 26th day of December, 1917.
BHAISHANKER KANGA & GIRDHARLAL,
1531 Purchaser's Attorneys.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN [redacted] WADI CHHOGALAL HIN[illegible] Bombay Hindu Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client Bai MEHERBAI PIROJSHA[illegible] THKI. Any persons having any [illegible] or to the said properties or any [illegible] or any part thereof by way of inheritance, bequest, gift, sale, mortgage, lease, lien, or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office at 56, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to any such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTIES.

FIRSTLY—All that piece or parcel of land named Bhandara, situate at Worli Road, Sambhu Mahadev Pakhadi, in the Island and Registration District of Bombay, admeasuring 465 square yards bearing New Survey No. 3279 and assessed by the Municipality under G Ward No. 335 and Street No. 237 and bounded on the North and on the East by the property of the Purchaser and on the South and on the West by a passage.

SECONDLY—All that piece or parcel of land named Ghatan situate at Worli Road, Sambhu Mahadev Pakhadi, in the Island and Registration District of Bombay, admeasuring 244 square yards bearing New Survey No. 3298 and assessed by the Municipality under G Ward No. 210 and Street No. 112 and bounded on the North, the East and the South by a passage and on the West by the property of Waman Sadashiv.

Dated this 21st day of December, 1917.
KHANDVALA & CO.,
1524 Purchaser's Attorneys.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

GEORGE V by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Letters of Administration of the property and credits of EBRAHIM HAJI SALEH MAHOMED, a Merchant, late of Bombay Cutchi Memon Mahomedan inhabitant .....Deceased.

AHMED EBRAHIM SALEH MOHOMED, of Bombay Cutchi Memon Mahomedan inhabitant, residing at Kambekar Street, without the Fort of Bombay, being one of the sons of the abovenamed deceased .....Petitioner.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the proceedings if they think fit before the Grant of Letters of Administration.

Witness Sir BASIL SCOTT, Knight, Chief Justice at Bombay, aforesaid this fourteenth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and in the eighth year of our Reign.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

P. B. MALABARI,
Ag. Registrar.

W. J. HOWARD,
The 14th day of December, 1917.
Messrs. SHROFF & DINSHA,
1522 Petitioner's Attorneys.

LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. JANARDHAN RAGHUNATH MORE for self and as guardian of his minor brother ANANT RAGHUNATH MORE has contracted with our client for the absolute sale to him of all and singular the land hereditaments and premises more particularly described in the Schedule hereunder written.

All persons having or claiming to have any estate right, title, interest or claim in to or upon the said premises or any part thereof by way of inheritance, gift, sale, lease, under-lease, mortgage, charge, lien or otherwise howsoever, is, or are required to make the same known to us, the undersigned, at our office, at Esplanade Road, Fort, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise on the expiration of the said period the said sale will be completed without reference to any such claim or claims and the same, if any, shall be considered to have been absolutely waived.

THE SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO.

All that piece of Pension and Tax land or ground admeasuring 4,500 square yards or thereabouts and bounded as follows:—that is to say on or towards the East by the Manmala Tank Road, on or towards the North by the property of Jehangirji Sorabji and partly by a portion of a passage, on or towards the West partly by the said passage and partly by the property of the said Vendors and on or towards the South by the property of the said Vendors being portion of all that Pension and Tax ground or land or Oart situate, lying and being without the Fort of Bombay, within the Registration Sub-District of Bombay at Mahim on the West side of Manmala Tank Road, and known as Sutar Wadi, containing by admeasurement 11,452 square yards or thereabouts and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipality under G. Ward No. 4048 and Street No. 409 and G. Ward No. 4,049 and Street No. 410 and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 296, New No. 3840, Old Survey No. 177 and New Survey No. 1/1390 and bounded on the East by the said Manmala Tank Road and Oart of Ganpatrao Moroba Pitale, on the West and South by the Oart of Manchabai, widow of Balgovan Hargovan and on the North partly by the property of Jehangirji Sorabji and partly by a passage.

Dated this 28th day of December, 1917.

MADHAVJI KAMDAR & CHHOTUBHAI,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that our client Mr. MOTILAL CHUNILAL proprietor of the firm of Naraindas Chunilal, has purchased from the Liquidators of the Deccan Bank, Limited, of Poona th undermentioned Mill property known a the Gadag Mill consisting of leasehold lands Mill Buildings, Boilers, Engines, Plant an machinery as a going concern situate at Gadag in the Eastern part of Dharwar District belonging to the Deccan Bank, Ld., (in Liquidation), at an auction sale of the said premises held on the 19th day of December, 1917, at the instance of the Liquidators of the said Bank.

All persons having any claim to the said properties by way of inheritance, gift lease, lien, maintenance, mortgage, charge sale or otherwise howsoever, are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned within 14 days from the date hereof. All claims, if any, which are not so received will be considered null, void and waived and the purchase will be completed without any reference to any such claim.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTIES.

FIRST.—All that piece or parcel of land or ground situate at Gadag in the Sub-District of Gadag, in the District of Dharwar containing by admeasurement four acres fou Gunthas be the same little more or less being a portion of the Survey No. 872, registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue and assessed at Rupees three and bounded on or towards the North by remaining portion of the said Survey No. 872 across the Railway Line, on or towards the South by the Road leading from Gadag to Bettigiri on or towards the East by Bettigiri village lands and Railway crossing and on or towards the West by the Survey No. 875.

SECONDLY.—All that piece or parcel of land or ground situate at Gadag in the Sub-District of Gadag in the District of Dharwar, containing by admeasurement seven acres and thirty-seven gunthas be the same little more or less divided into two parts by Railway line running across it registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Survey No. 876 and assessed at Rupees six and bounded, on or towards the North by a water channel and the Railway, line, on or towards the South by the Dhedwara Survey No. 875, on or towards the East by Survey Nos. 871, 872, and a portion of the Railway line and the remaining portion of Survey No. 876 and on or towards the West by Survey No. 886.

THIRDLY.—All that piece or parcel of land or ground situate at Gadag in the Sub-District of Dharwar, containing by admeasurement two acres and seven Gunthas be the same little more or less being the Survey No. 885 registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue and assessed at Rupee one and annas eight and bounded on or towards the North by a water Channel, on or towards the East by Survey No. 886 on or towards the South by Survey No. 875 and on or towards the West by Survey No. 887.

FOURTHLY.—All that piece or parcel of land or ground situate at Gadag in the Sub-District of Dharwar, containing by admeasurement five acres and six Gunthas be the same little more or less being the Survey No. 886 registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue and assessed at Rupees Eight and bounded on or towards the North by a portion of Survey No. 876 across the Railway Line, on or towards the East by Survey No. 876 on or towards the South by Survey No. 875 and on or towards the West by Survey No. 885.

FIFTHLY.—All that piece or parcel of land or ground situate at Gadag in the Sub-District of Dharwar containing by admeasurement one acre and twenty-nine gunthas be the same little more or less being a portion of the Survey No. 875, called Mangwara bounded on or towards the North by Survey Nos. 876 & 886, on or towards the East by Survey No. 872, on or towards the South by a portion of the said Survey No. 875 and on or towards the West by a water channel.

Dated this 22nd day of December, 1917.

KANGA & SAYANI,
Purchasers Attorneys.
Alice Buildings, Hornby Road,
Fort, Bombay. 1482

HOME RULE

Can be governed by those souls only whose own Homes are governed by public opinion.

For particulars apply to:—
CHHOTALAL BHOGILAL PAREKH,
Umreth (Kaira)

LEGAL NOTICE.

NOTICE.

PUBLIC IS HEREBY INFORMED that the suit filed by JUNAS HAJI ESSAK against VALI MAHOMED ABU BAGHA, in the High Court of Bombay being suit No 845 of 1917 has been by consent of the parties dismissed and that the said Vali Mahomed Abu Bagha is the sole owner of the property known as Lalwady property purchased by the said Vali Mahomed Abu from the Executors of the estate of th late Mr. HORMASJI SHAPURJI CHOTHIA and the rents and profits thereof and that the said Junas Haji Essak has no manner of interest or right either in the said property or its rents or profits or the sale proceeds thereof.

Dated 22nd December, 1917.

JUNAS HAJI ESSAK.
VALI MAHOMED ABU BAGHA.
Witness.
MANCHERSHAW B. CHOTHIA,
Defendant's Solicitor.
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SALE BY AUCTION.

B. MANEKLAL & CO.,

AUCTIONEERS.
No. 7, Green Street, Fort.
Adjacent to Bank of Bombay.
Telephone 3297.

GRAND AUCTION SALES OF FURNITURE AND JEWELLERY, ETC.

TO-DAY SATURDAY, the 29th instant at 2-30 p.m., (S.T.), Messrs. B. MANEKLAL & Co., Auctioneers will sell by public auction at the new auction rooms, situated at the ground floor, of No. 7, Green Street, Fort, just adjacent to the Bank of Bombay, very neat and handsome teak and blackwood household and office furniture of all sorts and in latest designs.

Cycles, phonos, etc.

At the account and risk of the parties concerned.

A lot of loose diamonds, Pearls, Emaralds also some valuable ready made ornaments such as rings, necklaces, bracelets bangies, etc.

The articles are on view.

B. MANEKLAL & CO.,
Auctioneers.
Bombay, 29th December, 1917.

GANDHI & CO

AUCTIONEERS & COMMISSION AGENTS.
No. 52 Medows Street.

SALE TO-DAY AT 2 P.M. (S.T.)

IMPORTANT TO MILLOWNERS, DYERS AND COLOUR MERCHANTS.

AUCTION SALE of about 400 lbs. Chrysophenine Colour.

THIS DAY, SATURDAY, the 29th December, 1917, at 2 p.m., (S.T.), Messrs. GANDHI and Co., Auctioneers, will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, No. 52, Medows Street, by order of the Office concerned.

About 400 lbs. Chrysophenine Colour, 4 drums each of about 1 cwt.

The above is on view.

A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required at the time of sale.

SALE TO-DAY AT 3 p.m., (S.T.), at Raghunath Street, No. 7 and 9, behind Allahabad Bank, near Fire Brigade, Fort.

AUCTION SALE of Household and Office Teak and Blackwood strongly made Furniture.

TO-DAY SATURDAY, the 29th December, 1917, at 3 p.m. (S.T.) Messrs. GANDHI and Co., Auctioneers, are instructed to sell by Public Auction, new as well as second-hand furniture of a furniture shop situate at the above place, including dining tables, dining chairs, meatsafe, dinner-waggon, rich drawing room suites of sofas and chairs, marble top-centre tables, dressing chest of drawers single and double door almyrahs, revolving book case, very substantial panel door cloth and gown press, glass door sliding cupboards office writing tables, cane arm and armless chairs, dirty cloth basket, blackwood cup board, wooden cots, rocking chairs, easy chairs, fashionable tiled teapoys, leather lined sofas, verandah benches, book cases, reclining sofas, carpets, photo frames, cash box, phonograph, hand harmonium, etc., etc.

Catalogues are published and the above is on view.

SALE TO-MORROW SUNDAY THE 30TH DECEMBER, 1917, AT 2-30 P.M. (S.T.) AT THE FIRST FLOOR OF "BOMBAY VIEW" OPPOSITE COLABA STATION.

AUCTION SALE OF TEAK AND BLACKWOOD RICH ARTISTIC DRAWING, DINING AND BED ROOM FURNITURE MADE BY WELL-KNOWN MAKERS, PERSIAN AND HYDERABAD CARPETS, REMINGTON TYPEWRITING MACHINE No. 6 Etc., Etc.

TO-MORROW SUNDAY, the 30th December 1917, at 2-30 p.m. (S.T.), Messrs. GANDHI & Co., Auctioneers, will sell by Public Auction at the first floor of "Bombay View" opposite Colaba Station very decent rich artistic, specially made highly polished teak and black wood furniture including dining table, Robert pattern dining chairs, mirrored sideboard, meatsafe, dinner waggon, dumbwaiters, specially made rich tapestry lined drawing room complete suite of sofas and chairs, marble top centre tables, corner cabinets, dressing chest of drawers, revolving book case, hatstands, big office writing table, revolving chair, cane arm and armless chairs, single and double mirror door almyrahs, cloth and gown press, dirty clothes baskets, fashionable teapoys, single and double iron as well as wooden complete cots, English Gold Medal camp cots, cane chairs, curzon chairs, easy chairs rocking chairs, jardineer stand, Remington typewriting machine in good order, Persian carpets Hyderabad carpets, watercolour pictures, rich glass and crockery ware etc., etc.

The property of Mrs. Breig and W. R. French Esq., going to America and others.

Catalogues are published and goods are on view.

SALE ON SUNDAY THE 6TH JANUARY, 1918, AT 3 P.M., (S. T.).

IMPORTANT TO MACHINERY DEALERS, CONTRACTORS, ETC.

AUCTION SALE of Steam Engine, Boiler, Feed Pump, Water Dunkey, etc.

On SUNDAY, the 6th January, 1918, at 3 p.m., (S.T.), Messrs. GANDHI & Co., Auctioneers, will sell by public auction at Malan Pura Morland Road, near Byculla Club in the cotton workshop by order of the owner

1 Lancashire Boiler 26 by 6 feet by Messrs. John Marshall and Co. 125 lbs. Pressure, with Hopkinson safety valve, and dead weight safety valve, in good condition.

1 single cylendar steam engine.

12-14 H.P. with Rope and Fly wheel.

1 Feed Pump 1½ by 1½ inches.

1 water dunkey 1½ inches besides other sundry goods.

The above is on view.

A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required at the time of sale.

GANDHI & Co.,
Auctioneers.
Bombay, 29th December, 1917.

SALE BY AUCTION.

CRAWFORD & CO'S SALES.

AUCTION SALE OF THE INSOLVENTS' RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST IN THE VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTY AT MAHOMEDSHA STREET, NAPIER QUARTER, KARACHI

Under instructions from B. N. Lang, Esq., the Official Assignee of Bombay and the Assignee of the estate and effects of Santramdas Kusalrai, Hotchand Kusalrai, Odhavdas Hotchand, Chelaram Hotchand and Indrahhan Hotchand, who carried on business in the name of Hotchand Kusalrai and Santramdas Kusalrai, Insolvents, and with the consent of Seth Chelaram Dalumal and others, the Executors of the Will of the late Mr. Shevaram Ramrakhiamal, deceased, the Mortgagee, Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction, on SATURDAY, the 2nd day of February, 1918, at 4 p.m. (S. T.), on premises at Karachi, all the right, title and interest of the said Insolvents and the said Mortgagee in the undermentioned property.

PARTICULARS OF PROPERTY.

Plot of land with building standing thereon, situate at Mahomedsha Street, Napier Quarter, Karachi, bearing Survey No. 12, Survey Sheet No. A-26, admeasuring about 717 square yards or thereabouts, which said plot has been sub-divided into 4 plots, bearing Nos. 12, 12-1, 12-2 and 12-3, respectively.

For further particulars and conditions of sale, apply to Messrs. Harchandrai and Co., Pleaders for the Vendor, at Karachi or to the undersigned.

AUCTION SALE OF THE INSOLVENTS' RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST IN THE VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTIES AT MARKET ROAD, AND TARU MUKHI LANE, AT KARACHI.

Under instructions from B. N. Lang, Esq., the Official Assignee of Bombay, and the Assignee of the estate and effects of Shevandas Naumal Mooltani, and Dhamammal Naumal Mooltani, who carried on business in the name of Tansukhdas Jeharmal and Shevandas Bros. and Naumal Panjumal, Insolvents, and with the consent of Seth Chelaram Dalumal and others, the Executors of the Will of the late Mr. Shevaram Ramrakhiamal, deceased, the mortgagee, Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction, on SUNDAY, the 3rd day of February, 1918, at 11 a.m. (S. T.), on the premises at Karachi, the right, title and interest of the said Insolvents and of the said mortgagee in the undermentioned properties, subject to the alleged claim of one, Metharam Ramrakhiamal, who claims to be the 1st mortgagee, on the properties secondly and thirdly described.

PARTICULARS OF PROPERTIES.

FIRSTLYz—Plot of land with building standing thereon, situate at Market Road in Market Quarters, Karachi, bearing S. No. 24, Survey Sheet No. A-16, known as Shevandas New House, admeasuring about 313 square yards and bounded on the North by plot No. 25, on the South by plot No. 23, on the East and on the West by the Market Road.

SECONDLY:—A plot of land with building standing thereon, situate at Taru Mukhi Lane, old town quarter, Karachi, bearing Sheet No. A-3, Survey No. 28, admeasuring 97 square yards, or thereabouts and known as Shevandas Naumal old dwelling house.

THIRDLY:—A plot of land with building standing thereon, situate at Taru Mukhi Lane, old town quarters, Karachi, bearing S. No. Survey Sheet No. A-3, known as Shevandas Otak.

For further particulars and conditions of sale, apply to Messrs. Harchandrai and Co., Pleaders for the Vendor at Karachi or to the undersigned.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE BY JOHN ROBERTS, CONNARD AND GERARD, AND OTHERS.

JOST'S FULL SPEED RADIO FAN, ENGLISH HAND-SEWING MACHINE, OPEN CARVED CENTRE TABLE, CUT GLASSWARE, ETC., OF M. ELDREDGE, ESQ., AND OTHERS.

Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction on MONDAY, the 7th January, 1918, at 3 p.m. (S. T.), at their Auction Rooms No. 16, Apollo Street, opposite the Government Dockyard (where the furniture has been removed for sale), Fort, the household furniture consisting of English design drawing room suite, sofa by John Robert, mirror cabinet and sideboard, English velvet pile carpets, English revolving office chairs, mahogany book stands, dining table, dressing chest of drawers by Connard and Gerard, book cases, washing table, open carved centre table, English hand-sewing machine, rich cut-glassware, garden stools, Jost's full speed radio fan, etc.

The property of M. Eldredge, Esq., and others.

The above will be on view 4 days before the day of sale.

CRAWFORD & Co.,
Auctioneers.
Bombay, 29th December, 1917.

MESSRS. MEHTA & CO

Auctioneers to the Government and G. I. P. Railway.
No. 25, Medows Street, Fort Bombay.
Telephone No. 1288.

Piece-goods, Furniture and other articles for Auction Sale at Messrs. Mehta and Co's Rooms, on Friday, the 4th day of January, 1918 will be received by them till THE EVENING of 2nd January, 1918. Wednesday,

AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY TO MILLS, COLOUR MERCHANTS AND DYERS.

Messrs. MEHTA and Co., are instructed to invite private offers for the following stock of Aniline Dyes of original packing in half lb. and 1 lb. tins such as:—

Congo red, fast pink, green crystals, orange and chrysophinine.

Samples can be seen on application to the Undersigned.

AUCTION SALE OF 55 CASES OR BALES FANCY DHOTARS.

On MONDAY the 31st instant, at 2-30 p.m. (S.T.), Messrs. MEHTA and Co., will sell by Public Auction, at the Otla of Seth Morarji Jeram Naran behind the Mulji Jetha Market and the Old Hanuman Lane, by order of the concerned and on account and at the risk of the defaulting purchaser Seth Chandulal Manilal of Ganesh Chowk.

30 cases or bales each about 200 pairs fancy dhotars No. 6978 or others 6, 7, 8 and 9 yards.

25 cases or bales each about 200 pairs fancy dhotars of Navda quality, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 yards.

AUCTION SALE OF 18 CASES OF BALES WHITE MULLS.

On Monday, the 31st instant, at 3 p.m., (S.T.), Messrs. MEHTA & Co., will sell by Public Auction at Mulji Jetha Market Dadar Gully by order of the undermentioned parties and on account and at the risk of the undermentioned parties.

BY ORDER OF SETH VELSI KARAMSY AND ON ACCOUNT AND AT THE RISK OF SHAMBHUPRASAD GIRJASHANKER.

12 cases of bales each about 150 pieces white mulls No. Baloon 95, 85 and others.

BY ORDER OF SETH RAMJI THAKERSY AND ON ACCOUNT AND AT THE RISK OF SHAMBHUPRASAD GIRJASHANKER.

6 cases of bales each about 150 pieces white mulls No. Baloon 95, 88, and others.

SALE BY AUCTION.

MEHTA & CO.—(*Contd.*).

AUCTION SALE OF 86 CASES OR BALES WHITE SHIRTINGS.

On SATURDAY, the 5th January at 4 p.m., (S. T.), Messrs. MEHTA & CO., will sell by Public Auction at their Rooms at No. 25, Medows Street, Fort, by order of the concerned and on account and at the risk of the defaulting purchaser Sha Keshavlal Nagindas:—

20 Cases or Bales each 50 Pieces White Shirtings No. 152 or others and 40 yards.
19 Cases or Bales each 50 Pieces White Shirtings No. 153 or others and 40 yards.
18 Cases or Bales each 50 Pieces White Shirtings No. 154 or others and 40 yards.
16 Cases or Bales each 50 Pieces White Shirtings No. 156 or others and 40 yards
13 Cases or Bales each 50 Pieces White Shirtings No. 158 or others and 40 yards.

AUCTION SALE OF THE RIGHT TITLE AND INTEREST OF THE MORTGAGOR IN LANDED PROPERTY AT MAHIM.

Under instructions from and by order of Mr. Jagmohandas Vandravandas who is declared to be the absolute owner of the right title and interest of his late father Vandravandas Purshotamdas, the mortgagee of the undermentioned property, pursuant to the Consent Decree dated 13th August 1915 in the High Court Suit No. 459 of 1900 filed by Damoderdas Vandravandas and another against Devidas Vandravandas and others and on account and at the risk of Narayen Hari and other heirs (if any) of the mortgagor Manekbai widow of Bhasker Shivji. Hari Bhasker and Keroo Bhasker all of whom are now dead and by virtue of the Power of Sale reserved to the said mortgagee under the Indenture of Mortgage dated 23rd day of March, 1881, Messrs. MEHTA & Co., Auctioneers will put up for sale by public auction all the right, title and interest property claim and demand of the aforesaid mortgagors and their heirs into and upon the premises on SATURDAY the 12th day of January, 1918, at 4-30 p.m., (S.T.) at the premises.

All that the right, title and interest of the mortgagors and their heirs as Fezendari tenants in the piece or parcel of Fezendari land or ground together with the messuage tenement or dwelling house and premises standing built thereon with chunam and stone walls and conered with tiles situate at Mahim in an oart called or known by the name of Bhagat or Purshotum Ramchandra's oart near Portuguese Church outside the Fort of Bombay fronting towards North side of the said oart in the Sub-District of Mandvi and which said ground is contained by admeasurement sixty-five feet in length and thirty-five feet in breadth or thereabouts and which the said house is assessed by the Collector of Municipality for houses under No. 1195 and which said house is bounded on the East, North and South by the oart of Purshotam Ramchandra and on the West by Public Road and partly by the said oart of Purshotum Ramchandra.

Further particulars and conditions of sale can be had of Messrs. Shamrao Minocheher and Hiralal, Attornevs for the vendors, at their offices at Ash Lane, Fort, or of the undersigned.

MEHTA & Co.
Auctioneers.
Bombay, 29th Dec., 1917.

AMUSEMENTS.

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MAURICE E BANDMAN presents the
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A story of real life, showing the snares and pitfalls into which an innocent girl falls, and how she is rescued therefrom by a really noble-hearted lover.
A drama of strength, with the interest increasing from the first moment of showing. Full of human pathos.
EMOTIONAL EXCITING POWERFUL PATHETIC
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Saturday and Sunday usual PRIZE SHOW 5-15 p.m. On Tuesday January 1st Extra Prize Show at 5-15 p.m.

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TO-DAY 5 p.m. & 9-30 p.m. 2 PERFORMANCES 2 TO-MORROW 5 p.m. & 9-30 p.m.
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and her famous
GRAND CIRCUS
50 STAR ARTISTS 50
MISS TARABAI'S
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Sensational Event! New Novelty!!
Till this moment unheard of!
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FLICKERINGS FROM FILMLAND

BY GLOBETROTTER.

NEWS FROM THE UNIVERSAL CITY.

A few days ago, while a woman and two children were looking at the animals in the Zoo, Director Henry McRae came in and calling to his assistant said "Get Dynamite." With an exclamation of fear the woman said, "If there are going to be any explosions here we had better go" and with that she grasped the children and ran. She did not know that "Dynamite" is the Universal name of J. A. Furtelle, who works the wild beasts in the pictures.

MEXICAN STARTS BULL FIGHT.

In the Red Feather production "Gates of Doom" a large number of Mexicans in the garb of Hindoos were used at Universal City for one of the big street scenes. In addition many animals were in evidence to give the correct atmosphere to the scene. A young bull was tied to a post and on the other side of the street, during the luncheon hour, the Mexicans were enjoying music from a mandoline and guitar. Suddenly one young native spied the bull and his sporting instincts were immediately aroused as he saw visions of becoming a matador.

A red shawl was taken from the shoulders of one of the women and across the street the Mexican hastened. There he flaunted the shawl at the bull which made two or three lunges at him when the director came along and hurried the man away. "Gates of Doom" is a typical Oriental feature abounding in thrills.

MOTHER O' MINE.

A BLUE BIRD EXTRAORDINARY.

Once in a while appears a book, a painting or a play in which the appeal is so wide, so general, the sentiment so true and the foundational idea so intimately related to the experience of all human life, that it is certain to register with all classes, creeds and races, because it is based upon something which is the common property of all of them.

"MOTHER O' MINE" is such a rare piece of work. It is hard to know just what to call the perfect motion picture, since it really partakes somewhat of the nature of all three of the above mentioned arts. It is akin to a book in that there is a narrative unfolded in it; to a painting in that it presents a picture of things as they appear to the eye; and to a play in the development and handling of the story. The devotion and self-sacrifice of mother-love is the theme—a theme which has been the basis of some of the greatest masterpieces of literature and the stage. Never has it been handled in more heart-searching manner than in this Blue Bird Extraordinary, produced by the Master-producer Rupert Julian, whose splendid work in that famous spectacle "the Dumb Girl of Portici", lately shown in Bombay at the New Alexandra, is still fresh in the eye of the Bombay public. He also plays the part of the son, whose false pride makes him deny his mother. Ruth Clifford who has supported Mr. Julian in recent Blue Birds appears in a new type of part in "Mother O' Mine." She blossoms out into the chic costumes of a society girl. She looks the part to the life, and wears frocks and hats which might serve as models to many a fine lady.

Ruby La Fayette is the dear little old mother, the very type of "Mother Nachree," which comes to us as a mental picture when we hear the song.

It is interesting to note that Ruby La Fayette, at the age of seventy-three years and a great-grandmother, has made her first appearance before the motion picture camera and she declares it is the most fascinating work she has ever done. Until some ten years ago she played everything from ingenice to characters and then retired to a Texas home where she was discovered by the Blue Bird Management and literally dragged into an engagement over her protest that she had retired.

You must have heard or read about "David and Jonathan" and "Damon and Pythias" as the best of friends, but as bosom friends, staunch, devoted, intimate or faithful neither of them were anything like [redacted] and Lee Mo[redacted] Eddie has be[redacted] ings of Lee [redacted] described as [redacted] with Virgini[redacted] cher" actress and is at present playing Nestor Comedies.

They say that he has already sent an ultimatum to the Lyons home in which he states that any attempt on the part of Mrs. Lyons to keep Eldie at home more than four nights a week, will be looked upon as deliberately in face an overt act and now he is awaiting the outcome in great trepidation. The first picture in which the bride and bridegroom appear is called "The Shame of a Chaperone" and can be expected to be screened at the Royal Opera House on its arrival in Bombay.

FIRST MOVIE WAR WEDDING.

The first motion picture "War Wedding" was celebrated at Universal City when Betty Schade who has played the lead in many a Universal production was married to Ernest or Ernie Shields, one of the well-known actors who plays Howard Van Cleft in the "Voice on the Wire." The declaration of war caused the date of the marriage to be advanced for the bridegroom is a Sergeant in the Hollywood Coast Artillery and expects to be called out at any time.

A romantic feature of the situation besides the fact that it is the first war wedding among picture players, lies in the nationality of the bride who was born in Berlin. She thus becomes one of the first "Captures" of the war but she declares she finds the fate of "prisoner" an extremely happy [redacted]

The bride's many friends at the Universal City presented her with a beautiful silver loving cup with the following inscription:—

"To Betty, Universal's first war bride, from those who love her at Universal City."

[redacted] that this will be the [redacted] in [redacted] thrilling experience working with [redacted] wild ones at that, like lions, leopards, orang-outangs and Charlie the big Universal elephant.

The dainty actress declares it is a peculiar sensation to be chased by a live lion and she admits she feels much better when she is outside the scene. She said her most uncomfortable experience was when she was followed by Sam, the big African lion, and had to climb a tree for safety. Miss Sedgwick says, however, that the strangest sensation was when she was on the elephant's back and it lay down. An elephant lies down, as everyone knows, with a certain plunge and she hung to his ears.

It is only fair to mention Charlie the elephant as well, for his part in "Man and Beast" is so important that it is essential to the plot and the scene in which he rescues the baby who has strayed into the jungle is the "punch" of the story.

"SHOT" AND "DYNAMITE."

Visitors at Universal City frequently misunderstand the terms used by people engaged in the making of motion pictures. One day at the Zoo a director used the common term "Shoot", meaning the operation of the camera, and when he remarked to his cameraman, "W'ell shoot this lion first and the big one next", a woman visitor made a run for the entrance, declaring she would not remain to see anything so cruel.

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COMMERCIAL.

CABLE QUOTATIONS.

COTTON.

LIVERPOOL COTTON.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

Liverpool, Dec. 27th.

			Bales.
Total Day's Sales at Liverpool			2,000
" " Sales on Spec. & for Exp.			—
" " Sales of East Indian			—
" " Imports			73,000
Mid. American spot trading value			22.45
Egyptian F.G.F. spot Sakellaridis			31.40
New York 11 a.m., (As known in Liverpool at closing time)		March	30.05
		May	29.66
		July	29.27
New Orleans 10 a.m		March	29.05
		May	28.74

OPENING TONE AND PRICES.

Liverpool, Dec. 27th.

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES:—

New Contracts:

Months.	To-day's price.
January	22 74+30
March	22.58+29
May	22.46+29

Old Contracts:

Months.	To-day's price.	
Dec.	21.33	
Dec.-Jan.	21.18	
Jan.-Feb.	21.08	
Feb.-Mar.	20.99	
March-April	20.90	+17
April-May	20.82	
May-June	20.74	
June-July	20.66	

CLOSING PRICES.

Liverpool, Dec. 27th.

New Contracts:

Months.	To-day's prices.
January	22.63+16
February	22.63+17
March	22.51+21
April	22.47+23
May	22.43+24

Old Contracts:

Dec.	21.33	
Dec.-Jan.	21.18	
Jan.-Feb.	21.08	
Feb.-Mar.	20.99	
March-April	20.90	+17
April-May	20.82	
May-June	20.74	
June July	20.66	

EGYPTIAN COTTON.

Liverpool, Dec. 27th.

New Contracts.

Months.	To-day's price.
January	30.05
March	29.70 -15
May	29.60

ADDITIONAL QUOTATIONS.

Liverpool, Dec. 27th.

Middling	Bengal Good		17.37
"	" Fully Good		17.62
"	" Fine		17.87
"	No 1 Oomra Good		18.71
"	" Fully Good		18.96
"	" Fine		19.21
"	Broach Good		21.14
"	" Fully Good		21.32
"	" Fine		21.50
"	Scinde Good		17.37
"	" Fully Good		17.62
"	" Fine		17.87

LIVERPOOL COTTON STATISTICS.

London, Dec 27th.

	Bales.
Total Actual Export	Nil.
" For warded	57,000
" Imports	175,000
" Stock	449,000
Actual Weekly Sales	4,000

AMERICAN MARKETS.

New York, Dec. 26th.

Day's Exports to Great Britain	8,000
" " to Continent..	8,000
Fair Rio Coffee (No. 7 quality)	8
Demand Bills	4.75.25
Silver Commercial Bars	86½

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BOMBAY MARKET.

COTTON.

(From our Commercial Correspondent.)

Dec. 28.

Regarding the Home markets there is little to report this week. It has been a holiday week in Liverpool and the market has been closed nearly the whole of the interval. In New York the market was closed only for Christmas Day, and fluctuations have occurred, but the tendency has been upwards, and up to the close on Wednesday there was an advance of 91 points. So far only the Liverpool opener of yesterday is to hand and on this New Contracts are 30 points higher and Old Contracts 27 points higher.

Locally we have had holiday markets with little business passing. The offices have been closed for the Christmas holidays and the bazaar has been quiet. Good Broach advanced from Rs. 546 to Rs. 557, again dropped to Rs. 546 and advanced to Rs. 558. Yesterday the market opened at Rs. 557 and closed at Rs. 557. To-day is a Holiday (Bara Wafat) and the nominal quotations this morning will be found below.

There is very little to report. On Saturday and Monday a moderate business was done in contracts in an irregular market. The holidays then came on and things were quiet. Yesterday also there was a holiday feeling and business was slack. The market will no doubt remain in much the same state until after the New Year, but we are likely to have a lively market in January with plenty of business doing for the settlement. The January position is a strong one. Receipts during the past week have been small, and are likely to continue so until booking is reopened on the G. I. P. Railway. The stock of New Crop Cotton in Bombay is limited, and we do not see where cotton is to be obtained to tender against January contracts even if the Railway reopens booking early in January, which is doubtful. We look for higher prices after the New Year.

Ready cotton has shared in the general slackness owing to holidays and only a small business has been done. Prices are steady.

QUOTATIONS 10-15 A M.

NEW CROP.

Good Broach	—	April	560
Fine Hingnaghat Wardah	—	January	612
" Nagpur Kamptl	—	"	610
" Khamgaon Akola	—	"	570
" Khandelah	—	"	552
" Muthia	—	"	535
" Bengal	—	"	490
Fully Good Bengal	—	"	456

QUOTATIONS 3 P.M.

NEW CROP.

Good Broach	—	April	555
Fine Hingnaghat Wardah	—	January	608
" Nagpur Kamptl	—	"	604
" Khamgaon Akola	—	"	565
" Khandelah	—	"	545
" Muthia	—	"	532
" Bengal	—	"	485
Fully Good Bengal	—	"	449

RECEIPTS OF COTTON.

Receipts of various growths of Cotton at Bombay compared with the corresponding periods in the previous season:—

Growths	For week ending26th *Dec.	Total to date since September 1st.	
		*1917.	1916.
	Bales.	Bales.	Bales.
Khandesh	4,641	67,129	90,677
Central India	1,266	9,412	24,100
Barsee and Nuggur	2,366	20,482	26,830
Berar	1,733	61 421	154,051
Central Provinces	863	16,694	28,147
Total Oomras	10,869	195,139	329,805
Dhollera	1,186	15,253	16,515
Broach	28	1,533	464
Compta and Dharwar	1,803	40,483	17,866
Westerns-Northerns	1,725	35,581	9,606
Bengals N.W.Province	7,082	59,956	215,212
Rajputana	429	3,478	35,708
Sind, Punjab	1,388	19,180	72,538
Cocanada	307	7,931	7,552
Persian	Nil	10	88
Tinnevelly & Cambodia	260	7,863	4,473
American	Nil	Nil	3
Egyptian	Nil	Nil	184
Other sorts	Nil	3,281	5,779
Total	24,832	382,887	715,216

* These figures do not include the arrivals by sea.

EXPORTS OF COTTON BY RAIL FROM BOMBAY.

	Bales.
G.I.P. Railway from 1st Sept. 1917 to 24th Nov. 1917	9,449
B.B.& C.I. Railway from 1st September 1917 to 1st Dec. 1917	7,154

WHEAT AND SEEDS.

Imports of Wheat, Seeds and Food grains into Bombay 1st January 1917 to 27th December 1917, as compared with last year:—

	1917.	1916.
Wheat	—	—
Linseed	—	—
Rape Rai &c	—	—
Gingellyseed	—	—
Poppyseed	—	—
Groundnuts	—	—
Castorseed	—	—
Rice	—	—
Verabollams	—	—
Cottonseed	—	—
Mowraseed	—	—
Gram	—	—
Joowar	—	—
Maize	—	—
Barley	—	—

These figures are not available now as arrivals by sea have not been published since 16th November.

PETROLEUM.

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Snowflake	150°	at Rs.	8 3 0	per case
White Rose	150°		8 3 0	"
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Devoe's	76°	"	7 14 0	"
Monkey	125°	"	7 4 0	"
Tiger	125°	"	7 4 0	"
White Camelia tins	125°	"	6 10 0	per 2tins
Elephant tins	125°	"	6 10 0	"
Elephant Bulk	126°		4 14	per 8Imp Gallns.

INDIAN WAR LOAN.

BOMBAY POST OFFICE SECTION,

Bombay, Dec. 28th.

	Rs.
Cash Certificates	170-8
Total up-to-date	24.92,126-4

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BOMBAY CITY AND SUBURBS.

LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS.

Mails for the Straits Settlements, Saigon, Manilla and Hongkong via Negapatam will be closed at the General Post Office at 11 a.m.

Social Gathering of Goans, Dadar 9 p.m.

SUNDAY, December 30.

English Mail closes at G. P. O., 3 p.m.

MONDAY, December 31.

New Year's Eve: Bank holiday.

New Year Eve Dance, G. I. P. Byculla Mechanic's Institute 9-30 p.m. (S.T.)

"Our Day" General Committee Meeting Secretariat, 6 p.m. His Excellency the Governor will preside.

TUESDAY, January 1.

New Year Day: Public holiday.

New Year's Day Parade and distribution of decorations by His Excellency the Viceroy to officers and men of His Majesty's Forces

WEDNESDAY, January 2.

His Excellency the Viceroy and the Secretary of State for India leave Victoria Terminus, 10-30 a.m

Bombay Races: Fourth Extra Meeting.

THURSDAY, Jan. 3.

Municipal Standing Committee meeting 2 p.m. (B. T.).

THURSDAY, Jan. 10.

Mails for Mauritius and Reunion via Dhanushkodi and Colombo, will be closed at the General Post Office at 7-30 p.m.

Mails for E. A. E Force Lamu, Mombasa, Zanzibar, will be closed at the General Post Office at 8 a.m.

AMUSEMENTS.

TO-NIGHT.

Excelsior Theatre: Bandman Opera at 9-30 and Cinema at 6-30 p.m.

Fillis Circus at Royal Opera House, 5 p.m. and 9-30 p.m.

Miss Tarabai's Circus. 9-30 p.m

Palace of Varites: X'mas Pantomime Aladdin 6-30 and 10 p.m., Gaiety Theatre.

Imperial Cinema: Lamington Road, 7-0, 8-45, and 10-30.

New Alexandra Cinema:, Lohar Chawl, Princes Street.

Empire Cinema: 4-30, 6-30, 8-15 and 10 p.m.

West End Cinema: Charni Road: 5-30, 7-0 8-45 and 10-15.

Eldorado Cinema: Lamington Road, 6-45 8-30 and 10-0.

Anglo-American Cinema: Sandhurst Road 7-0, 8-30 and 10-30.

New Alhambra Cinema: Sandhurst Road, 7-45, 9-0 and 10-45.

Olympia Cinema: Sandhurst Road.

G. I. P. TRAINS FROM BOMBAY.

	Arr. H. M.	Dep. H. M.
Punjab Mail	16 0	14 20
Calcutta Mail (via Jubbulpore)	15 0	21 0
Calcutta Mail (via Nagpur)	9 15	18 0
Madras Mail	8 40	21 30
Poona Mail	11 30	14 45
Poona Express	19 40	7 53

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY.

The following are the arrival and departure time from Colaba :—

BOMBAY

	Arr. H. M.	Dep. H. M.
Northern Express	11 35	17 0
Gujrat Mail	8 15	21 0
Cathiawar 3rd Class Express	7 40	21 12

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.

Bombay, Dec. 29.

Sunday, 30th.—Class Firing, Santa Cruz, for members detailed. Train leaves Churchgate 6-30 a.m

Monday, 31st.—7-15 a.m., Riding School, Fort.

Tuesday, 1st.—Proclamation Parade on the Oval, Squadron will parade at Churchgate at 7-15 a.m. All members must attend, or render a Medical Certificate to Adjutant.

Wednesday, 2nd.—7-0 a.m., Musketry Class, Volunteer Club. Orderly N.C.O. Corpl. Kay.

Thursday, 3rd.—7-15 a.m., Riding School Fort.

Friday, 4th.—7-15 a.m., Riding School, Fort. 7-0 a.m., Musketry Class, Salsette Detachment Jackal Club Flats. Orderly N.C.O. Sergt. Partridge.

Saturday, 5th.—7-0 a.m. Musketry Class, Volunteer Club. Orderly N.C.O. Corpl. Kay. 6-45 a.m., Riding School, Santa Cruz. Class Firing at Santa Cruz for members detailed. Train leaves Churchgate 3-3 p.m.

E. G. PEARSON,
2nd-Lieut. & Adjutant,
Bombay, Light Horse.

BOMBAY ARTILLERY.

PART I.

DUTIES FOR THE WEEK.

Orderly Officer :—2nd-Lieut. Ellis-Jones.

DRILLS.

Compulsory parades commencing Monday 31st December, 1917.

GUNNER COMPANIES.

Monday 7-15 a.m.—15 pr. Detachment for Proclamation parade at the Arsenal.

Remainder of the Corps at Mahaluxmi Battery (2 hours).

Tuesday 7 a.m.—15 pr. Detachment for Proclamation parade at the Bandstand.

Friday. The Corps will parade at Mahaluxmi Battery (2 hours).

E. B. COMPANY.

Monday 6-15 p.m.—Arsenal (2 hours) Experts and Extra-Efficients.

Tuesday 6-15 p.m.—Arsenal (2 hours) Efficients and Non-Efficients.

Friday—Headquarters Company Drill.

SPECIALIST.

Signallers—As ordered by Sergt. W. Geldart. Other Specialists will parade with their Companies.

BAND.

Will attend parades as ordered by Bandmaster.

INSTRUCTORS.

Headquarters—Staff.
Cadets—Cpl. Casebly.
Mahaluxmi—Bombrs. Flynn and Ward.

NOTICE.

The office will be closed on 1st January except for very urgent business. Future groups for duty at Mahaluxmi will be posted at Headquarters on 1-1-18 with dates against each group. Every N. C. O. and man must consider this their final difinite order. No exemption will be granted unless two men from one firm can be proved to be in the same group.

P. H. RETALLACK, Capt.,
Adjutant, Bombay Artillery. I.D.F.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES,

Dec. 29

892.—Headquarters will be closed on Monday December 31st and Tuesday January 1st The armoury will be open for issue of arms to men returning from Christmas leave between 5 and 6-30 p.m. on Monday December 31st.

893.—Proclamation parade.—The Battalion, with bands, will parade on the South End of Marine Lines Maidan at 7-15 a.m. Tuesday January 1st. Dress—Drill Order with tunics. Medals will not be worn.

Officers will "Carry Swords" during the inspection by H. E. the Viceroy of the Brigade in line. On the command "Remove Headdresses" Headdresses will be removed by the retained in the left hand; they will be held clear of the head, but will be raised to the full extent of the arm above the head as the signal for each cheer is given. All spectators must be in their places by 8 a.m., Queen's Road, Marine Lines, Church Gate Street and Mayo Road will be closed to traffic at 7-30 a.m. and spectators must approach the Oval from the South. Motor Cars must be parked in Marine Lines, or near the Gymkhana. They are not to be left in Churchgate Street.

895, Command.—Captain H J Dibbs will take over command of No. 2 Coy. nice Second-Lieut J. McGrath with effect from January 1st (afternoon). Lieut N. W. Kemp having reported his return from leave on December, 17th is posted to No. 2 temporarily as 2nd in Command with effect from December 17th (afternoon).

400 General Service.—Group 6 (Jan-March.) Men detailed to proceed to Poona on January 1st will parade at Headquarters at 8 a.m. on Monday the 31st instant with all articles of kit in their possession for final inspection.

They will be embodied from midnight December 31st/January 1st.

They will parade at Headquarters at 11 a.m. Tuesday January 1st and will be dismissed by 1 p.m. They will parade again at 8-45 p.m. for entrainment.

Following changes are made (President Selection Committee, 21st Decembebr 1917):

Delete No. 108 Pte. C. Dudley, No. 1 Coy.
Delete No. 111 Pte. E. Gill, No. 1 Coy.
Add No. 113 Pte. S. Johnson, No. 1 Coy.
Add No. 1475 Pte A H James, No. 1 Coy.
Add No. 149 Lte. J Moore, No. 1 Coy.

(Sd.) C. N. MOBERLY, Major.
Adjutant, Bombay Volunteer Rifles

POONA RIFLES.

POONA, Dec. 28.

1314. Leave.—The undermentioned are granted leave of absence for the period stated against their names :—

191. L/Cpl. D. S. Samson "A" Coy. from 26-12-1917 to 25-1-1918.

Sergt. W. I. Maconochie Staff from 27-12-1917 to 29-12-1917.

No. 53 Pte. B. B. Jamaspjina "A" Coy. from 26-12-1917 to 15-1-1918.

No. 83 Pte. J. N. Vakil "A" Coy. from 24-12-1917 to 2-1-1918.

No. 422 Pte. E. Holmes Sholapur Dett. from 23-12-1917 to 31-1-1918.

No. 536 Pte. H. S. H. Pilkington "B" Coy. from 21-12-1917 to 31-1-1918.

No. 300 Pte. P. E. Perceival "B" Coy. from 23-12-1917 to 31-12-1917.

No. 404 L/Cpl. N. Madon Sholapur Dett. from 1-1-1918 to 8-1-1918.

No. 388 Pte. R. J. Darukhanawalla Sholapur Dett. from 1-1-1918 to 8-1-1918.

No. 76 Pte. E. A. Staines "A" Coy. from 29-12-1917 to 3-1-1918.

1315 Travelling Allowances.—It is notified for information that sanction has been given to the payment of travelling allowance to members of the I.D.F. at the following rates when travelling to and from parades:—

Railway Journeys:—
Officers—1st Class fare.
Warrant Officers—2nd Class fare.
N. C. O's and Men—3rd Class fare.

For those who reside "more than one mile" from the place of parades, but not allowable to Railway servants on their own railway.

Road Journeys:—
Two annas per mile when residing "more than one mile" from place of parades.

Tram Journeys:—
Actual Tram Fare.

The above rates are payable as from 1st April, 1917.

Members of the Corps should apply to their Officer Commanding Company at Headquarters and Officer Commanding Detachments at outstations for the necessary form on which the amount due to them should be claimed. These forms should be completed up to 31st December, 1917, by the individual and submitted to the Officer Commanding Company and Detachment for payment which will be made in due course. Claims should be submitted monthly from 1st January 1918 inclusive.

(Sd.) A. R. KEARSEY, Capt.,
Adjutant, Poona Rifles.

BAND AT THE BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

By kind permission of Colonel T. W. Bonner, V. D. and Officers, the Band of the 1st Battalion, G. I. P. Railway Regiment, will play this evening a programme of music, under the direction of Mr. Hugh B. Mitchell, Bandmaster, commencing at 6 o'clock

BAND AT ESPLANADE BANDSTAND.

By kind permission of the Officers the Band of the 1st Battn., B. B. & C. I. Railway Rifles will play this evening a programme of music under the direction of Mr. W. S. Walcott at Esplanade Bandstand from 6 to 8 p.m. (S.T.)

ARYA SAMAJ LECTURE.

A public meeting will be held at the Arya Samaj Hall, Kalachowki, Girgaon, Bombay, to-morrow at 6 p.m. (B. T.), when Pandit Balkrishna Sharma will deliver a lecture on "World".

ZOROASTRIAN BROTHERHOOD.

The weekly meeting of the Zoroastrian Brotherhood will be held at the Tutorial High School to-morrow at 5-30 p.m. (S.T.) when Mr. J. D. Umrigar will deliver a lecture on "Wherein Lies Happiness."

JENABAI ORPHANAGE UNION

The weekly meeting of the Jenabai Orphanage Young Boys' Union will be held on Sunday, at 10-30 a.m. when Mr. Jafferali Hasam will deliver a lecture on "Unity" Mr. F. A. Munshi, Editor of the "Islam" will preside.

BOMBAY SANITARY ASSOCIATION,

The written and oral examination of the students of the "First Aid Class" in English organised by the Bombay Sanitary Association will be held on Sunday the 6th January, 1918, at 11 a.m. (S.T.) at the Bombay Sanitary Institute, Princess Street.

LECTURE ON TUKARAM AND TEMPERANCE

Under the auspices of the Social Service League, Temperance Club a public lecture in Marathi will be delivered by Mr M. P. Sabnis, on "Saint Tukaram and Temperance" to-morrow at 6-30 p.m. (S. T.), in the Library of the Club in Dongre's Building, New Foras Road, Bombay.

DROWNED IN A WELL.

The Acting Coroner, Mr. A. R King, held an inquest on the body of Vithoba Gannat, a Hindu boy aged 10 years, residing with his parents at Dharavi. The deceased together with a friend went to a well near their house, and the former went down the steps to take his bath. He first tried to swim but could not; then he tried to dive, and in the attempt was drowned. His companion called for help and the body was dragged after a time. The jury recorded a verdict of accidental death.

BOMBAY AMUSEMENTS.

EXCELSIOR ATTRACTIONS.

The Christmas Season of the Bandman Opera Company can be set down as a huge success from all points of view and it is to be hoped that it will develop into a hardy annual. Besides playing on the top of their form every night and producing two great successes in "The Better'ole" and "The Maid of the Mountains" much outside entertaining has been done at the hospitals. The next production new to the East will be the light Operette "Carminetta" on which the company is very busy just now and will shortly be staged in Bombay. On January 2nd at 3 p.m. the Company will give a special Matinee of "The Better'ole" to about a thousand of our wounded soldiers. "The Better'ole" is the piece chosen for the Matinee for the Public at 5 p.m. to-morrow. To-night the ever fresh and melodious Opera "The Merry Widow" will be staged. As Charlie Chaplin monopolised so much of the 6-30 show during the past week only one episode of "The Shielding Shadow" could be given, but to make up for this deficiency three startling adventures will be shown this week.

IMPERIAL.

Baby Marie Osborne, the youngest star of the cinema world, figures at the Imperial this week and needless to say will delight her numerous admirers. A story full of charm and heart interest has been devised and Baby Marie lives up to her reputation, acting without the least consciousness of the camera. This is the last of the Balboa productions with Baby Marie, as the youngest leading lady now possesses her own company and is producing the films under "Lasilda" brand. There are several other interesting films on the programme, including Pathe Gazette. Next week the great serial mistery of Double Cross starts at this theatre.

NEW ALEXANDRA.

The New Year programme at the Alexandra is well worth a visit. The chief item of interest is an absorbing drama entitled "Quicksands," an all-British picturization of Ben Landek's successful play, "A Guilty Mother." George Bellamy, in the role of a kind and noble-hearted husband, does some really good acting. The story is one which is sure to "take" with the audience. An innocent girl, the daughter of a country parson, comes to town to seek service. She soon has a bitter experience of the quicksands of life, being betrayed by an unscrupulous villain who enters into an illegal marriage with her. He is soon found out, and sent to prison; but on his release he tries to blackmail the girl, who has meantime married a wealthy baronet, by threatening to create a scandal. The husband, when he comes to know of his wife's past, acts in a manner which is truly noble, and in the end everything ends happily. This drama is backed up by Charlie Chaplin who keeps things lively as usual.

NEW ALHAMBRA.

From to-night the New Alhambra Cinema will commence to screen the great patriotic serial "Patria." The serial is 45,000 feet. long and the first instalment will be 7,000 feet. long. In the serial is seen now a noble and beautiful lady sacrifices not only her whole wealth but her dear life also for the sake of her country. Irene, known as one of the handsomest and best dressed of women figures in the serial in the character of "Patria."

SUN, MOON AND TIDES AT BOMBAY.

The following are the hours and height of the tides in Bombay Harbour during the ensuing week. Hour stated is Bombay Mean Time depth of water is at Prince's Dock:—

Day of the week.	Day of Month.	HIGH WATER. Bombay Mean time.		Depth on Still.		Day of the week.	Day of Month.	LOW WATER. Bombay Mean time.		Depth on Still.	
	Dec.	h.	m.	ft.	in.	Dec.		h.	m.	f.	in.
Fri.	28	m 11	6	26	3	28	m	5	32	10	5
							e	4	59s	15	7
Sat.	29	m 0	0	29	6	29	m	6	10	19	1
		m 11	48	26	4		e	5	35s	15	10
Sun.	30	m 0	34	29	4	30	m	6	46	18	10
		0	27a	26	3		e	6	9a	16	4
Mon.	31	m 7	15	25	10	31	m	1	41	21	2
	Jan.	0	2a	27	4	Jan.	e	1	59a	16	6
Tues.	1	m 1	33	28	6	1	m	7	51	18	7
		1	37a	25	0		e	7	12a	17	7
Wed.	2	m 1	57	27	11	2	m	8	57	18	9
		2	8a	25	3		e	7	44a	18	5
Thur.	3	m 2	22	27	2	3	m	8	52	18	11
		2	44a	24	0		e	8	18a	19	4

The following are the hours of sunrise and sunset, according to Indian Standard Time, during the ensuing week:—

Dec.		Sunrise.	Sunset	
M	28 (Friday)	M	7h 11m	M 6h 10m.
M	29 (Saturday)	M	7h 11m	M 6h 10m.
M	30 (Sunday)	M	7h 11m	M 6h 11m.
M	31 (Monday)	M	7h 10m.	M 6h 7m
Jan.	1 (Tuesday)	M	7h 12m	M 6h 12m*
M	2 (Wednesday)	M	7h 13m	M 6h 13m*
M	3 (Thursday)	M	7h 13m	M 6h 13m*

Phases of the Moon:—

		d.	m.
Last Quarter	Jan. 1918.	5	5 19.6 p.m
New Moon	"	13	4 5.8 a.m
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INDIA'S NEED FOR SOCIAL WORKERS.

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EDUCATION THROUGH VERNACULARS.

HARDSHIPS OF THIRD CLASS PASSENGERS.

MR. GANDHI'S ADDRESS AT CALCUTTA.

Mr. M. K. Gandhi delivered the following speech as President of the first session of the All-India Social Service League, held at Calcutta on Thursday the 27th instant

Friends,—I thank you for the honour you have conferred upon me. I was totally unprepared for the invitation to preside over the deliberations of this assembly. I do not know that I am fitted for the task. Having fixed views about the use of Hindi at national gatherings. I am always disinclined to speak in English. And I felt that the time was not ripe for me to ask to be allowed to deliver the presidential speech in Hindi. Moreover I have not much faith in conferences. Social Service to be effective has to be rendered without noise. It is best performed when the left hand knoweth not what the right is doing. Sir Gibbie's (*sic.*) work told because nobody knew it. He could not be spoiled by praise or held back by blame. Would that our service were of this nature. Holding such views, it was not without considerable hesitation and misgivings that I obeyed the summons of the Reception Committee. You will, therefore, pardon me if you find in me a candid critic rather than an enthusiast carrying the conference to its goal with confidence and assurance.

It seems to me then that I cannot do better than draw attention to some branches of Social Service which we have hitherto more or less ignored.

EQUIPMENTS FOR NATIONAL SERVICE.

The greatest service we can render society is to free ourselves and it from the superstitious regard we have learnt to pay to the learning of the English language. It is the medium of instruction in our schools and colleges. It is becoming the *lingua franca* of the country. Our best thoughts are expressed in it. Lord Chelmsford hopes that it will soon take the place of the mother tongue in high families. This belief in the necessity of English training has enslaved us. It has unfitted us for true national service. Were it not for force of habit, we could not fail to see that by reason of English being the medium of instruction, our intellect has been segregated, we have been isolated from the masses, the best mind of the nation has become caged and the masses have not received the benefit of the new ideas we have received. We have been engaged these past sixty years in memorising strange words and their pronounciation instead of assimilating facts. In the place of building upon the foundation, training received from our parents, we have almost unlearnt it. There is no parallel to this in History. It is a national tragedy. The first and the greatest Social Service we can render is to revert to our vernaculars, to restore Hindi to its natural place as the national language and begin carrying on all our provincial proceedings in our respective vernaculars and national proceedings in Hindi. We ought not to rest till our schools and colleges give us instruction through the vernaculars. It ought not to be necessary even for the sake of our English friends to have to speak in English. Every English civil and military officer has to know Hindi. Most English merchants learn it because they need it for their business. The day must soon come when our legislatures will debate national affairs in the vernaculars or Hindu as the case may be. Hitherto the masses have been strangers to their proceedings. The vernacular papers have tried to undo the mischief a little. But the task was beyond them. The "Patrika" reserves its biting sarcasm, the "Bengalee" is yearning for ears tuned to English. In this ancient land of cultured thinkers the presence in our midst of a Tagore or a Bose or a Roy ought not to excite wonder Yet the painful fact is that there are so few of them. You will forgive me if I have tarried too long on a subject which in your opinion may hardly be treated as an item of Social Service. I have however taken the liberty of mentioning the matter prominently as it is my conviction that all national activity suffers materially owing to this radical defect in our system of education.

FAMINES, FLOODS, AND DISEASES.

Coming to more familiar items of Social Service, the list is appalling. I shall select only those of which I have any knowledge.

Work in times of sporadic distress such as famine and floods is no doubt necessary and most praiseworthy. But it produces no permanent results. There are fields of Social Service in which there may be no renown but which may yield lasting results.

In 1914, cholera, fevers and plague together claimed 4,639,663 victims. If so many had died fighting on the battlefield during the war that is at present devastating Europe we would have covered ourselves with glory and lovers of Swaraj would need no further argument in support of their cause. As it is 4,639,603 have died a lingering death unmourned and their dying has brought us nothing but discredit. A distinguished Englishman said the other day that Englishmen did all the thinking for us whilst we sat supine. He added that most Englishmen basing their opinions on their English experience presented impossible or costly remedies for the evils they investigated. There is much truth in the above statement. In other countries reformers have successfully grappled with epidemics. Here Englishmen have tried and failed. They have thought along western lines ignoring the vast differences, climatic and others, between Europe and India. Our doctors and physician have practically done nothing. I am sure that half a dozen medical men of the front rank dedicating their lives to the work of eradicating the triple curse would succeed where Englishmen have failed. I venture to suggest that the way lies not through finding out cures but through finding or rather applying preventive methods. I prefer to use the participle applying for I have it on the aforementioned authority that to drive out plague (and I add cholera and malaria) is absurdly simple. There is no conflict of opinion as to the preventive methods. We simply do not apply them. We have made up our minds that the masses will not adopt them. There could be no greater calumny uttered against them. If we would but stoop to conquer, they can be easily conquered. The truth is that we expect the Government to do the work. In my opinion, in this matter, the Government cannot lead; they can follow and help if we could lead. Here then, there is work enough for our doctors and an army of workers to help them. I note that you in Bengal are working somewhat in this direction. I may state that a small but earnest band of volunteers is at the present moment engaged in doing such work in Champaran. They are posted in different villages. There they teach the village children, they give medical aid to the sick and they give practical lessons in hygeine to the village folk by cleaning their wells and roads and showing them how to treat human excreta. Nothing can yet be predicted as to results as the experiment is in its infancy. This Conference may usefully appoint a committee of doctors who would study rural conditions on the spot an draw up a course of instructions for the guidance of workers and of the people at large.

THIRD CLASS PASSENGERS' GRIEVANCES.

Nothing perhaps affords such splendid facility to every worker, wholetime or otherwise, for effective service as the relief of agony through which the 3rd class railway passengers are passing. I feel keenly about this grievance not because I am in it but I have gone to it as I have felt keenly about it. This matter affects millions of our poor and middle class countrymen. This helpless toleration of every inconvenience and insult is visibly deteriorating the nation even as the cruel treatment to which we have subjected the so-called depressed classes has made them indifferent to the laws of personal cleanliness and the very idea of self-respect. What else but down-right degradation can await those who have to make a scramble always like mad animals for seats in a miserable compartment, who have to swear and curse before they can speak through the window in order to get standing room, who have to wallow in dirt during their journey, who are served their food like dogs and eat it like them, who have ever to bend before those who are physically stronger than they and who being packed like sardines in compartments have to get such sleep as they can in a sitting posture for nights together. Railway servants swear at them and cheat them. On the Howrah-Lahore service our friends from Kabul fill to the brim the cup of the misery of the 3rd class travellers. They become lords of the compartments they enter. It is not possible for any one to resist them. They swear at you on the slightest pretext, exhaust the whole of the obscene vocabulary of the Hindi language. They do not hesitate to belabour you if you retort or in any way oppose them. They usurp the best seats and insist on stretching themselves full length even in crowded compartments. No compartment is deemed too crowded for them to enter. The travellers patiently bear all their awful impertinence out of sheer helplessness. They would, if they could, knock down the man who dared to swear at them as do these Kabulis. But they are physically no match for the Kabulis and every Kabuli considers himself more than a match for any number of travellers from the plains. This is not right. The effect of this terrorism on the national character cannot but be debasing. We the educated few ought to deliver the travelling public from this scourge or for ever renounce our claim to speak on its behalf or to guide it. I believe the Kabulis to be amenable to reason. They are a God-fearing people. If you know their language, you can successfully appeal to their good sense. But they are spoilt children of nature. Cowards among us have used their undoubted physical strength for our nefarious purposes. And they have now come to think that they can treat poor people as they choose and consider themselves above the law of the land. Here is work enough for Social Service. Volunteers for this class of work can board trains and educate the people to a sense of their duty, call in guards and other officials in order to remove over-crowding, see that passenger leave and board trains without a scramble. It is clear that until the Kabulis can be patiently taught to behave themselves, they ought to have a compartment all to themselves and they ought not to be permitted to enter, any other compartment With the exception of providing additional plant, every one of the other evil attendant on railway travelling ought to be immediately redressed. It is no answer that we have suffered the wrong so long. Prescriptive rights can not accrue to wrongs.

UPLIFT OF DEPRESSED CLASSES.

No less important is the problem of the depressed classes. To lift them from the position to which Hindu society has reduced them is to remove a big blot on Hinduism. The present treatment of these classes is a sin against religion and humanity

But the work requires service of the highest order. We shall make little headway by merely throwing schools at them. We must change the attitude of the masses and of orthodoxy. I have already shown that we have cut ourselves adrift from both. We do not react on them. We can do so only if we speak to them in their own language. An anglicised India cannot speak to them with effect. If we believe in Hinduism we must approach them in the Hindu fashion. We must do tapsya and keep our Hinduism undefiled. Pure and enlightened orthodoxy must be matched against superstitious and ignorant orthodoxy. To restore to their proper status a fifth of our total population is a task worthy of any Social Service organisation.

The trustees of Calcutta and the chawls of Bombay badly demand the devoted services of hundreds of social workers. They send our infants to an early grave and promote vice, degradation and filth.

Apart from the fundamental evil arising out of our defective system of education I have hitherto dealt with evils calling for service among the masses. The classes perhaps demand no less attention than the masses. It is my opinion that all evils like diseases are symptoms of the same evil or disease. They appear various by being refracted through different media. The root evil is loss of true spirituality brought about through causes I can not examine from this platform. We have lost the "robust faith of our forefathers in the absolute efficacy of *Satya* (truth), *Ahinsa* (love) and *Brahmacharya* (Self-restraint). We certainly believe in them to an extent. They are the best policy but we may deviate from them if our untrained reason suggests deviation. We have not faith enough to feel that though the present outlook seems black, if we follow the dictates of truth or love or exercise self-restraint, the ultimate result must be sound. Men whose spiritual vision has become blurred mostly look to the present rather than conserve the future good. He will render the greatest social service who will re-instate us in our ancient spirituality But humble men that we are, it is enough for us if we recognise the loss and by such ways as are open to us prepare the way for the man who will infect us with his power and enable us to feel clearly through the heart, things we are to-day unable to perceive through our reason.

THE DRINKEVIL.

Looking then at the classes I find that our Rajahs and Maharajahs squander their resources after so-called useless sport and drink. I was told the other day that the cocaine habit was sapping the nation's manhood and that like the drink habit it was on the increase and in its effect more deadly than drink. It is impossible for a social worker to blind himself to the evil. We dare not ape the West. We are a nation that has lost its prestige and its self-respect. Whilst a tenth of our population is living on the verge of starvation, we have no time for indulging ourselves, What the West may do with impunity is likely in our case to prove our ruin. The evils that are corroding the higher strata of society are difficult for an ordinary worker to tackle. They have acquired a certain degree of respectability. But they ought not to be beyond the reach of this Conference.

Equally important is the question of the status of women both Hindu and Mahomadan. Are they or are they not to play their full part in the plan of regeneration alongside of their husbands? They must be enfranchised. They can no longer be treated either as dolls or slaves without the social body remaining in a condition of social paralysis. And here again I would venture to suggest to the reformer that the way to woman's freedom is not through education but through the change of attitude on the part of men and corresponding action. Education is necessary but it must follow the freedom. We dare not wait for literary education to restore our womanhood to its proper state. Even without literary education our women are as cultured as any on the face of the earth. The remedy largely lies in the hands of husbands.

It makes my blood boil as I wander through the country and watch lifeless and feebless oxen with their ribs sticking through their skins, carrying loads or ploughing our fields. To improve the breed of our cattle, to rescue them from the cruelty practised on them by their cow-worshipping masters and to save them from the slaughter house is to solve half the problem of our poverty.....We have to educate the people to a humane use of their cattle and plead with the Government to conserve the pasture land of the country. Protection of the cow is an economic necessity. It can not be brought about by force. It can only be achieved by an appeal to the finer feelings of our English friends and our Mahomedan countrymen to save the cow from the slaughter house. This question involves the overhauling of the management of our Pinjrapoles and cow-protection societies. A proper solution of this very difficult problem means establishment of perfect concord between Hindus and Mahomedans and an end of Bakr-id riots.

I have glanced at the literature kindly furnished at my request by the several Leagues who are rendering admirable Social Service. I note that some have included in their programme many of the items mentioned by me. All the Leagues are non-sectarian and they have as their members the most distinguished men and women in the land. The possibilities for services of a far reaching character are therefore great. But if the work is to leave its impress on the nation, we must have workers who are prepared, in Mr. Gokhale's words,—to dedicate their lives to the cause. Give me such workers and I promise they will rid the land of all the evils that afflict it.

MR. M. K. GANDHI.

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THE BOMBAY CHRONICLE.
Saturday, December 29, 1917.

"BOMBAY MOSLEMS' DEPUTATION"!

Among the deputations that waited on H. E. the Viceroy and the Secretary of State on Wednesday last was one which claimed, in its address, to "represent the views of a large number of the Mussalman subjects of his Majesty the King-Emperor in Western India." For some days before its reception, however, the deputation had been widely advertised as one representing the Mahomedans of the Bombay Presidency,—a claim not only exaggerated but positively misleading, regard being had to the fact that such recognised leaders of the community as the Hon. Mr. Jinnah, Sir Ibrahim Rahimtoola, Haji Yusuf Sobani, Sir Fazulbhoy Currimbhoy, the Hon. Mr. Bhurgri, the Hon. Mr. Ibrahim Jaffer and the Hon. Mr. Sheriff Canji, were not known to be participating in the deputation. The moving spirits of the movement, indeed, were individuals who, by no stretch of the imagination, or of courtesy, could be regarded as "representing" any but a microscopic section of Mussalmans, besides themselves. It was feared that an attempt at *mis*representation of the real feelings of the community as a whole was in contemplation. A great volume of indignant protests, in consequence, began to reach us against the proposed deputation, the absurd character of the claim set up for themselves by its promoters, and, especially, the hole-and-corner manner in which the whole thing was being engineered. A small coterie were running the show, and the text of the address purporting to "represent the views of a large number of the Mussalman subjects of his Majesty the King-Emperor" had apparently neither been seen nor checked by any one but themselves. At least a dozen correspondents, writing from such different centres as Bombay, Poona and Surat, specifically stated that they had not been able to get hold of any copy of the address, or to ascertain what was going to be said in it or who had authorised or drafted it. On the other hand, blank forms bearing the legend,—"We the undersigned hereby endorse the principle of the address which will be presented to the Right Hon. the Secretary of State with a view to safeguard the interests of the Mahomedans of the Bombay Presidency,"—were stated to have been surreptitiously distributed for signature, *without, however, being accompanied with the text of the address which the signatories were supposed to support!*

We decided to ignore, rather than expose, a propaganda so unreal and farcical for two main reasons: first, the deputation stood sufficiently self-condemned, in respect of its assumed character of representing the Mussalmans of this Presidency, by the absence from its *personnel* of those who are the acknowledged leaders of the community; and secondly, we were anxious, on principle, to avoid putting any difficulty in the way of any section of the people, however small a minority they might comprise, submitting their representations to the Secretary of State. It appears, however, that our silence and attitude have been widely misunderstood, and since the reception of the deputation on Wednesday last a number of correspondents have written to us enquiring and complaining in regard to their communications having been withheld, and inferring from that circumstance that we lent some kind of tacit approval to the deputation and address in question. Inasmuch as the latter is mainly noteworthy for its non-support of the Congress-League Scheme,—contrary to the views of the bulk of the community, both in this Presidency and in the country at large,—we need hardly say that the assumption is unfounded. We may mention, in passing, that whatever may have been the suspicions of the public, or our own, as to the purpose of the so-called "Bombay Moslems" deputation, it was not possible to have made sure until a copy of the address was available, and this reached us only on the day of the deputation. Having regard to all the circumstances set forth above, we feel we are justified in revoking our original decision of ignoring the whole matter. In order to supplement the foregoing explanation we publish, in another column, a selection from the letters that reached us *before* the deputation was received, and which, as already mentioned, we had withheld. They throw useful light on the *modus operandi* of those who stage-managed the so-called "Bombay Moslems' deputation." We may add that it has been brought to our notice that some of those whose names were given by our morning contemporary in its list of the persons of whom "the deputation consisted" did not, in fact, form part of the deputation.

BANKING IN INDIA—1916-17.

It is indeed highly satisfactory to note that atleast one department of the Government of India is keeping abreast of public opinion, and strenuously strives to meet it so far as it is reasonable and practical. We refer to the one under the direction of Mr. Shirras. As the head of the statistical department he is constantly endeavouring to improve and enlarge his annual statistical abstracts which, therefore, are yearly becoming a really valuable mine of information. We have more than once in these columns paid our tribute to the indefatigable energy and the ability of a highly cultured order in economics which this valuable public servant displays in the post he occupies. We have now before us a copy of the third issue of the annual statistical blue book on banking in India for 1916-17, which is a vast improvement on the previous issue; how full is it of most interesting and informing matter; how intelligently and methodically many of the tables are prepared; and what an amount of well directed energy, time and labour are bestowed on its preparation. More. It is seldom that we have seen an annual publication which is written in so attractive a style. The repellent manner of the drudging dry-as-dust is wholly absent. This any one can realise for himself if he carefully goes over the 14 close printed pages of Mr. Shirras's memorandum of Indian Banks which preface the tables. As he rightly observes in the very first paragraph, the blue book is "clothed in a somewhat different garb from its predecessors; it aims at giving the information in a more complete form and in a way that he who runs may read and reading understand." That is indeed a modest way of saying what has been so admirably accomplished. Mr. Shirras has, on the suggestion of several correspondents, greatly enlarged the scope of the tables. Many of them are more comprehensive than before, while many more have been added. The student of banking statistics has only to take up this third issue and compare it with the meagre one of last year to discover the immense value of it. Again, there is a map attached which in various distinctive colours shows the distribution of the banks with their branches and agencies. You see before you how the different provinces of the Empire are fertilised or left barren according as their financial resources are fed or not fed by the banks. Further, there is at the end a list in the form of a directory to show in each town of India the banks and their branches; and an analysis of their balance sheets, an attempt made for the first time but most successfully. Mr. Shirras has adopted the divers classifications of banking more or less to be studied in the pages of the "Economist" and the "Statist" in the banking analysis which both the financial journals give half yearly of the various banking operations of the great Metropolitan English banks.

We shall not attempt today a review of the rich statistical contents of this blue book which we are sure every bank manager in India must cordially welcome. But here is a quotation from the memorandum which will interest the general reader so far as the origin of what are known as the Presidency Banks is related. We need not refer to the well known history of the Presidency Bank Act of 1876 which is still in force. But it may be interesting to refer to what Sir William Muir, a former Finance Member of the Government of India, said when introducing the Presidency Banks Bill: "I will trouble the Council now with but a very brief narrative of the circumstances which have led to the present measure. The Bank of Bengal took its origin as the immediate result of an able letter addressed in 1801 to the Government of India by its Accountant-General, Mr. Henry St. George Tucker, in which he showed that a Bank was necessary both in the interests of Government and of the Mercantile Community." Money was raised in those days by what were called "treasury bills." The banking and financial world of these days, when Sir William Meyer has made them once more familiar with this form of raising money for Government purposes, will probably be surprised to know that 116 years ago the Government of this country had to resort to this mechanism of the treasury bills to finance the administration and carry on the current expenditure! The institution of the three banks some forty years later has made the banking world of 1917 entirely oblivious of this fact to which Sir William Muir had invited the particular attention of his Council in 1876 when introducing the Presidency Banks Act! But why were those Treasury Bills dropped as a means of raising funds to carry on State expenditure? We may give the reason in the words of that Finance Minister: "Although these bore interest, they were liable to depreciation in the market, and by the combination, chiefly of native brokers, were often at a heavy discount. To remove the inconveniences of this arrangement and maintain the credit of Government, Mr. Tucker argued that a bank was indispensable; and that in order to ensure security, it was necessary that Government its should aid it by contributing as a shareholder to its capital, and by sharing in its direction and in the privilege of voting. Upon this footing the Bank of Bengal was opened in 1806 and obtained its charter in 1809. Its capital was then £500,000 of which, the State contributed £100,000". Such is the origin of the first State bank in India, a little over a century ago. It continued to enjoy that unique position till 1840 when by Act III of 1840, the Bank of Bombay, the original one (not the resuscitated one of 1869) was established. Three years later the Presidency Bank of Madras was incorporated. It will thus be seen that the Bank of Bengal is the oldest State bank in this country, say for a century past. And if the treasury bills have reappeared after such a long period, they have come to us for a different purpose altogether from the one for which they were made current. But if the Bank of Bengal carries on its operations, so too do the successors of those native brokers of the early nineteenth century. The institution or corporation of Indian "Shroffs" not only survives but actively competes with the Presidency Banks, specially the Bank of Bengal, and not infrequently discounts inland hundies at rates *below* those of the three banks. Indeed, the shroffs all over the country are still in great requisition to finance a considerable part of our colossal inland trade, side by side with the exchange banks. The hundi system of Indian financing has survived for centuries and the chances are that it is destined to flourish for evermore, whatever may be the chances or changes overtaking English banking institutions at any time. There is an elasticity and vitality in the shroffing system which promises it a permanent lease of life!

Notes of the Day.

A Military Necessity.

According to a Washington telegram, President Wilson announces that he is assuming possession and operation of all the United States' railroads. That this step should have been taken by the United States was inevitable. Transport plays the chief part in military operations no less than in industrial and commercial organisation. If, therefore, the railways are to be worked with the greatest economy and efficiency, it is obvious that the wasteful multiplication of management should give place to unitary control. It was the timely recognition of this fact that led to the railways of England being brought under State control soon after the outbreak of war. That President Wilson has so soon followed the example set by England is a proof both of the success of the experiment and of its necessity.

The Congress and British Labour.

The Subjects Committee of the Congress, as our Special Correspondent telegraphs this morning, have adopted a resolution to be placed before the Congress, acknowledging the proferred help and co-operation of the Independent Labour Party in the cause of India's political progress. The success of Mr. Montagu's mission will ultimately depend upon the extent of the support that the country's demands secure from the British democracy. That such support will be substantial cannot be doubted; it may even be hoped that it will be decisive. What the "Times" calls "the newcomer on the Labour agenda," namely, the resolution on Home Rule for India that is to be submitted to the ensuing Labour Party Conference next month, has come to stay. The Congress will be doing both the right and the graceful thing in according a cordial acknowledgment to the splendid goodwill of British Labour.

A Vital Question.

"It is of supreme importance to the healt'y and natural growth of Indian commerce and industries that India should have a free hand in the determination of her own policy and that no considerations other than the best interests of the country should prevail." This was the keynote of the address which the deputation of the Indian Merchants Chamber and Bureau—the most influential and representative body of the Indian commercial community—presented to Mr. Montagu on Thursday. And the fact that the deputation confined its attention solely to this aspect of administrative reform is evidence of a strong conviction, born of bitter experience, that without fiscal autonomy the material prosperity of the country is not to be hoped for. As the deputation urged, under the existing circumstances the subordination of the Indian administration in matters of trade and industry to external and more powerful influences has been found to be a great evil prejudicial to Indian welfare. The Indian people can hardly expect to rise above the level of hewers of wood and drawers of water, in an essential sense, so long as the existing industrial shackles are not removed.

MOSLEM LEAGUE SESSION.

MOHAMED ALI'S MOTHER TO OCCUPY PRESIDENTIAL CHAIR

RAJA OF MAHMUDABAD, PRO-PRESIDENT.

(From our Special Representative.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 28.

Mr. Mohamed Ali's mother arrived here on Tuesday. Although nothing had transpired previously regarding her arrival, thousands of people had assembled along the principal routes to give her the warmest reception. She was taken in procession one mile long to the Gulkothi Shia Mosque in Lower Chitpur Road where she stays for the session.

The Moslem League meets on Sunday and it is understood she will occupy the Presidential chair in the unavoidable absence of her son and the Raja Sahib of Mahmudabad will act as pro-President for the session. All leading members of the Moslem-League are here and the forthcoming meeting is awaited with tense interest.

Official and Personal.

H. E. the Viceroy and Mr. Montagu granted interviews yesterday to the Hon. Sardar Sayad Ali El Edroos, Sir Muhammad Yusuf Haji Ismail and Moulvi Rafiudmad Yusuf Haji Ismail and Moulvi Rafiuddin Ahmed, to the Hon. Khan Bahadur Syed Allahando Shah, the Hon. Mr. Ghulam Husain Hidayatullah and Khan Saheb Shah Nawaz Khan Drakhan on behalf of the Sind Mahomedan Association; to the Hon. Mr. Harchandrai Vishindas, the Hon. Mr. G. M. Bhurgri and Mr. Jamshed N. R. Mehta on behalf of the special Sind Provincial Conference; and to the Hon. Colonel P. R. Cadell, Chief Secretary to Government; the Hon. Mr. Justice L. A. Shah, Judge High Court, Bombay; Rao Bahadur Chunilal H. Setalvad, Second Presidency Magistrate, Bombay; the Hon. Mr. G. F. Keatinge, Director of Agriculture; and Sir Stanley Reed, Editor of "The Times of India."

The Right Hon. the Secretary of State for India and H. E. the Governor visited the Port Trust Docks on Thursday afternoon and were shown round by Mr. G. W. Hatch.

His Excellency the Viceroy, the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for India and H. E. the Governor visited Parel Laboratory on Friday.

His Excellency the Viceroy the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for India and their Excellencies the Governor and Lady Willingdon visited the Willingdon Sports Club on Friday afternoon.

The Right Hon. the Secretary of State for India visited Sir Sassoon David on Friday afternoon and afterwards with Lady Willingdon went to see H. H. Lady Ali Shah at her residence in Land's End Road.

INDIA AND LABOUR PARTY.

CONGRESS ACCEPTS PROFFERED CO-OPERATION.

TO OBTAIN EARLY GRANT OF HOME RULE.

DEMAND FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE OF ALI BROTHERS.

STINGING CONDEMNATION OF PRESS ACT.

(From Our Special Representative.)

Unanimity continues in the Indian National Congress which to-day reassembled here in unreduced strength and passed a number of resolutions on the usual lines, the principal new ones being directed to welcoming the Secretary of State, urging increased facilities for the military training of Indians, especially cadets, the release of political detenus especially, Messrs. Mohamed Ali and Shaukat Ali and the withdrawal of the Indian Press and the Defence of India Acts. The speakers represented all shades of Moderates and Home Rulers, including Mr. Tilak.

(From Our Special Representative.)
CALCUTTA, Dec. 28.

The Subjects Committee met this morning within the Congress grounds and adopted a resolution to be placed before the Congress acknowledging the proferred help and co-operation of the Independent Labour Party on behalf of India obtaining Home Rule through an early Parliamentary enactment and offering its greetings and nominating Messrs. Polak and Baptista as India's representatives to the forthcoming Labour Party Conference in January, as well as communicating the same decision to the British Congress Committee in London.

Revised resolutions re internment and representive laws and the policy of the Government were adopted, as also a resolution on Indians in the Colonies and Indentured Labour.

As a result of the conference with Moslem leaders last night the draft resolution on Self-Government framed by the Reception Committee was modified so as to secure giving immediate effect to the Congress-League scheme and demanding grant full responsible government in ten years.

The greatest enthusiasm was provoked by the arrival of Abadi Bano Sahiba, Mahomed Ali's illustrious mother. She was welcomed from all sides amidst deafening cheers. Mrs. Besant and Abadi Bano accompanied by Mrs. Naidu arrived and volleys of cheers greeted them from all sides lasting for fully quarter of an hour.

WELCOME TO MR. MONTAGU.

RELEASE OF ALI BROTHERS URGED.

(Associated Press..)
CALCUTTA, Dec. 28.

The Congress reassembled to-day at 12 noon, Mrs. Besant presiding. Four resolutions were moved from the chair and carried unanimously. The first two resolutions expressed sorrow at the death of Messrs. Dadabhai Naoroji and Abdul Rasul, the third resolution expressed loyalty and attachment to the Throne and the fourth resolution welcomed Mr. Montagu and expressed the hope that his visit to this country would be crowned with success and that it would convince him of the supreme necessity for the establishment o responsible government in this country.

Mr. B. G. Tilak then moved the following resolution:—"That this Congress urges on the Government the immediate release of Messrs. Mohamed Ali and Shaukat Ali, who have remained incarcerated since October, 1914 and are now kept interned because of the religious scouples which they hold in common with the whole of Islam in India and elsewhere and which are not imcompatible with loyalty to the King-Emperor."

INDIANS AND THE ARMY.

(Associated Press.)
CALCUTTA, Dec. 28.

Mr. J. N. Roy of Bengal moved the resolution on Indians and the Army. The resolution ran thus:—

(a) "That this Congress urges that adequate provision be made under the Indian Defence Force Act for giving military training to as large a portion of his Majesty's Indian subjects as may offer temselves for such training, and in particular the Congress urges that a cadet corps consisting of young men from 16 to 18 years of age be organised in each province."

(b) "That this Congress notes with satisfaction the removal of the racial bar against the admission of Indians to the commissioned ranks of the army and the appointment of nine Indians to such ranks, and expresses the hope that the rules to be framed to regulate future appointments will provide for the appointment of Indians to a large proportion of commissioned posts, for the opening of colleges in India, for the training of officers, and for their examination in this country. The Congress further hopes that the rules will be published for general information before they are passed."

(c) "That this Congress strongly urges that the pay, prospects and equipment of Indian soldiers and non-commissioned officers, should be improved."

He said, there was nobody present there, who did not feel that the time had come when military training should be given to Indians on a large scale. Of late, there had been much talk of responsible government. The speaker believed that they would not be able to do anything even if responsible self-government was granted unless they had military training. If he was asked to choose between self government and military training, his choice would fall on military training. There was no good in self-government, if they were unable to defend their country and themselves. They claimed freedom because it was their birthright, and they claimed to wield arms because it was their birthright.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Venkatapathy of Madras and supported by Messrs. Barkat Ali, Jadunath Mazumder, Ramamurthi, Madha Sing and others and carried.

"A SHAMEFUL MEASURE."

CONDEMNATION OF PRESS ACT.

(From Our Special Representative.)
CALCUTTA. Dec. 28.

On the Congress reassembling after lunch Mr. Horniman, who was accorded a great ovation moved the resolution on the Press Act strongly urging Government to repeal it. After citing many telling facts and figures taken from official statistics showing how the most abundant promises and safeguards had been belied in the operation of the Act he declared emphatically that the Press in this country was a struggling industry and imposed a very great burden on the publishing and keeping of newspapers. It was monstrous to make them furnish deposits. The way in which enquiries were conducted *ex parte* and behind the backs of parties concerned on the reports of the C. I. D. had made that burden heavier and more galling. The Act made an irresponsible Government still more irresponsible and despotic and tended to produce a state of nervous apprehension among the people, undermining the sense of security. It was not the place to expose the absolute fallacy and misleading character of the Viceroy's reply to the Press deputation. In concluding, he said that freedom of discussion was not less a birthright of the Indian than that of the freedom to carry arms to which a speaker to a previous resolution had referred.

A PERNICIOUS PIECE OF LEGISLATION.

The Hon. Mr. Fazul Haq seconding the resolution characterized it as a pernicious piece of legislation and rather thought that our rulers had looked for inspiration to German culture for its enactment. He refused to believe that if they were earnest in the matter the measure could not be ended.

Other speakers gave expression to common feelings of indignation at the operation of the Act and the partiality shown to Anglo-Indian journals. A speaker of Madras grew very eloquent and referred amidst hearty approval to the policy of passive resistance as a protest against the Act instancing the example of "New India." The feeling among the audience against the shameful measure was no less evident than their unbounded enthusiasm for its repeal.

INDIAN EMIGRATION.

Mr. J. Choudhury who moved the resolution on Emigrants compared the Indian Act with the English Act and laid bare all the weak points in the former which make it least acceptable to the public.

The speaker urged also other things ment of a Revolutional Conspiracies Committee.

The resolution urged among other things the granting of a general amnesty to all political prisoners so as to secure a calm atmosphere.

ALL-INDIA CONGRESS COMMITTEE.

ITS COMPOSITION.

(From Our Special Pepresentative.)
CALCUTTA, Dec. 28.

The sub-committee appointed by the All-India Congress Committee to consider and report on the composition of the All-India Committee has submitted its report recommending 25 for Bombay including 6 for Sind, 13 for Madras proper, 12 for the Andhra province, 25 for the United Provinces, 5 for the Delhi province, 15 for the Punjab, 25 for Bihar and Orissa, 25 for Bengal and Assam, 12 for the Central Provinces, 6 for Berar, and 4 for Burma.

The committee consisted of the Hon. Mr. Belvi, Mr. N. Subbarao Pantulu, Pandit Gokarnanath Misra, Mr. Jeyramdas Mr. Khaparde senior, Mr. Sachidananda Sinha and Mr. Surendranath Banerjee. The recommendation is to take effect from 1st January 1918.

SUBJECTS COMMITTEES' DELIBERATIONS.

SELF-GOVERNMENT RESOLUTION TO BE TAKEN.

(Associated Press..)
CALCUTTA, Dec. 27.

The Subjects Committee of the Indian National Congress met this afternoon and discussed the draft resolutions. Resolutions on the Press Act, military training and Mr. Mohamed Ali's internment were adopted. Mr. B. G. Horniman will move the resolution to-morrow in the Congress on the Press Act, Mr. J. N. Roy on military training and Mr. Tilak on Mr. Mohamed Ali's internment.

The draft resolution on Self-Government was taken, but as there was some division of opinion with regard to complete provincial autonomy, further discussion on subject was postponed till to-morrow morning, when the Subjects Committee will again meet just an hour and a half before the Congress. In the meantime, members of the All-India Moslem League present here have been informally requested to give their opinion on the draft resolution on the question of Self-Government. The resolution will be taken up by the Congress only on Saturday.

CONGRESS DAY AT KALYAN.

Under the auspices of Thana Indian Home Rule League Branch and Sub-Divisional Congress Committee, a public meeting was held on the 26th instant at Kalyan in Sarwajanik Wachnalaya under the presidentship of Tatyasaheb Gokhale. The presidential address of Mrs. Besant was read in Marathi by Dr. Chintamanrao Vaidya.

CHINESE TEA EXPORTS.

SHIPMENTS THROUGH JAPANESE STEAMERS URGED.

(Reuter's Telegram.)
SHANGHAI, Dec. 26.
Recd. 12 midnight, Dec. 28.

As the allocation of enemy ships leaves Great Britain only two small coasters the 'North China Daily News" strongly urges that tea merchants who were promised enemy ships should be allowed to arrange shipments through the Japanese. The journal affirms that Chinese merchants are unfavourably impressed by the stoppage of tea exports and may easily be persuaded by the Germans that China is losing rather than gaining by declaring war.

SIR D. HAIG'S REPORT.

(Reuter's Telegram.)
LONDON, Dec. 28.
Recd. 1-45 a.m., Dec. 29.

Field-Marshel Haig's communiqué this afternoon says there is nothing to report.

PEACE QUESTION.

RUSSIAN PROPOSAL TO FORM BASIS.

CENTRAL POWERS' REPORTED AGREEMENT.

(Reuter's Telegram.)
AMSTERDAM, Dec. 27.
Recd. 9 p.m., Dec. 28.

An official telegram from Brestlitovsk received via Vienna says:—The delegates of the Central Powers declare that their Governments are of opinion that the principles of Russian peace proposal can form the basis of peace. The Central Powers agree to immediate peace on the principles of no annexations and no indemnities and their Governments join the Russians in condemning the continuation of the war with the sole object of conquest. The delegates solemnly declare they are willing immediately to sign peace on this basis if guarantees are forthcoming that all Russia's Allies will adopt the principle of no annexations and no indemnities regarding Germany and her Allies.

AUSTRIA, GERMANY AND RUSSIA.

RESUME PEACE DISCUSSIONS.

(Reuter's Telegram.)
AMSTERDAM, Dec. 27.
Recd. 9 p.m., Dec. 28.

A telegram from Brestlitovsk announces that representatives of Austria, Germany and Russia have resumed discussions dealing mainly with the re-establishment of intercourse.

RUSSIAN PEACE DEMANDS.

CENTRAL POWERS' REPLY.

(Reuter's Telegram.)
LONDON, Dec. 27.
Recd. 12 midnight, Dec. 28.

Replying to six points contained in the Russian demands, the Central Powers declare first, that they do not intend forcibly to appropriate any territories at present occupied; secondly, that they have no intention of robbing any nation of independence which has been lost during the war and thirdly, that the question of selfdetermination by national groups which possess no state independence cannot be regulated as between States, but should be solved by every State with its own people independently in a constitutional manner.

The protection of the right of minorities forms an essential component part of the constitutional right of peoples to self-determination and the Central Powers will grant this right so far as it is practically realisable. Fourthly, the Central Powers not only renounce indemnification for costs of war, but also for war damage. Accordingly, every belligerent Power would only have to indemnify expenditure for its nationals who were war prisoners as well as for damage done in its own territory by illegal acts of force committed against civilian nationals of an enemy country.

The question of the creation of an international fund for this purpose could only be considered if other belligerents joined the peace negotiations.

FRANCE AND RUSSIA.

STATEMENT IN FRENCH CHAMBER.

(Reuter's Telegram.)
PARIS, Dec. 28.
Recd. 12 midnight, Dec. 28.

An important debate took place in the Chamber yesterday on Government's Russian policy. M. Pichon, Minister for Foreign Affairs, declared that the Allies had unanimously decided it was impossible to have official relations with Bolsheviks owing to the latter's violations of alliances while simultaneously showing pro-German bias. All France disapproved the Bolsheviks. Nevertheless, she would maintain touch with sane elements in Russia. France did not despair of her ancient ally and awaited the chance to resume former relations.

The Government policy was approved unanimously. Three hundred and eighty-four deputies were present.

FIGHTING AT IRKUTSK.

UKRAINIANS SEIZE STAFF HEADQUARTERS.

(Reuter's Telegram.)
LONDON, Dec. 27.
Recd. 9 p.m., Dec. 28.

Reuter's correspondent in Petrograd wires:—The Putiloff Works and Petrograd Metallurgical Works employing respectively thirty thousand and eight thousand hands are beginning to pay off their employees. The People's Commissioners recently prohibited newspapers from publishing paid advertisements, whereupon an influential Radical newspaper, "Den," inserted them gratuitously, but it appears to-day with blank advertisement columns and explains that the Red Guards overnight compelled it to take out the advertisements.

There has been two days' fighting at Irkutsk, success alternating between the Cossacks and Cadets and the garrison.

The Ukrainians on the Roumanian front have seized the Staff Headquarters of the Fourth and Eighth Armies and disarmed Maximalist units and expelled resisters. They have also occupied without resistance the staff headquarters of the Eleventh Army on the south-western front disarming troops and seizing a number of guns and ten thousand rifles. The Ukrainians have occupied the station of Brailoff and disarmed the Fourth Guards and rifle regiment.

FIRM FRENCH STAND.

STUGGLE NORTH OF CAURIERES WOOD.

HEAVY GERMAN LOSSES.

(Reuter's Telegram.)
LONDON, Dec. 27.
Recd. 1-30 p.m., Dec. 28.

A French communiqué says:—The artillery struggle continued north of the Caurieres wood. It is confirmed that the German attack here yesterday was very violent. After powerful artillery preparation the enemy threw two battalions into the assault, but the fire dispersed them. During the second attempt, enemy elements reached our positions, but were immediately driven out. The number of enemy corpses testifies to the heaviness of the enemy's losses.

FRENCH COMMUNIQUE.

(Reuter's Telegram.)
LONDON, Dec. 28.
Recd. 12 midnight, Dec. 28.

Last night's French communiqué said:—On the right of the Meuse artillery activity continued. It was marked at Caurieres Wood and Bezonvaux. Our batteries caught the enemy troops assembling northwest of Bezonvaux and dispersed them with heavy loss.

HOSTILE CANNONADING NEAR YPRES.

(Reuter's Telegram.)
LONDON, Dec. 27.
Recd. 1-30 p.m., Dec. 28.

A British communiqué says there was hostile cannonading north-eastward of Ypres.

ENEMY TRENCHES BOMBED.

SIR. D. HAIG'S COMMUNIQUE.

(Reuter's Telegram.)
LONDON, Dec. 27.
Recd. 12 midnight, Dec. 28.

Sir Douglas Haig's communiqué to-night says that artillery firing has been active north of Saint Quentin and in the neighbourhoods of Arras and Messines and east of Ypres. Flying was intermittent on Wednesday owing to snowstorms.

The enemy's trenches were bombed and machine gunned and billets bombed during night time.

GERMAN COMMUNIQUE.

(Reuter's Telegram.)
LONDON, Dec. 27.
Recd. 9 p.m., Dec. 28.

A wireless German official communiqué reports lively fighting at Houthoulst Wood on the north bank of the Lys and in the neighbourhoods of Moeuvres and Marcoing.

AMERICAN AIR MECHANICS.

(Reuter's Telegram.)
LONDON, Dec. 27.
Recd. 12 midnight, Dec. 28.

Reuters' correspondent with the American Army in France says that several thousand American air mechanics trained in England are ready to begin their duties when American airmen reach the front.

U. S. LABOURERS TO ENGLAND.

(Reuter's Telegram.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.
Recd. 12 midnight, Dec. 28.

The Government has been asked to send to England thirteen hundred bricklayers and carpenters and also hundreds of labourers for construction work at extensive training quarters now being established, after which they will be transferred to France for other construction work.

KALEDIN'S TROOPS DEFEATED.

TROTZKY'S MESSAGE TO KRYLENKO.

(Reuter's Telegram.)
PETROGRAD, Dec. 27.
Recd. 9 p.m., Dec. 28.

The Maximalist News Agency announces the defeat of Kaledin's troops at Bielgorod. Trotzky has telegraphed to Harbin ordering the arrest of the entire administration which supported the proposal to bring foreign troops there.

The Petrograd correspondent of "The Times" says that the Bolsheviks are endeavouring to come to terms with Ukraine as the Commissioners are anxious to employ all forces against Kaledin who is regarded as identified with the Cadets and the cause of the bourgeoisie and as pledged to the restoration of the Monarchy.

Trotzky has telegraphed to Krylenko:—"Despatch of Army against Kaledin is question of life and death for Revolution.",

ITALIAN FRONT.

ATTEMPTED RAID NEAR TREVISO.

RESULTS IN LOSS OF 11 MACHINES.

(Reuter's Telegram.)
LONDON, Dec. 27.
Recd. 1-30 p.m., Dec. 28.

An Italian official communiqué says:—Twenty-five enemy aeroplanes attempted to bombard an aviation camp westward of Treviso. British and Italian aeroplanes ascended and anti-aircraft guns came into action, forcing the enemy to retire. Eight enemy machines were brought down. Eight machines made a renewed attempt in the afternoon. We drove them off, bringing three down. Altogether eight fell in our lines and three in the enemy's lines. All of ours returned. The damage done was insignificant.

ENEMY ATTACK ON TREVISO.

IN RETALIATION OF BRITISH ATTACK.

(Reuter's Telegram.)
LONDON, Dec. 27.
Recd. 12 midnight, Dec. 28.

A British official communiqué from the Italian front says:—Prisoners state that the enemy bombing attack on Treviso was made in retaliation for a British aeroplane attack which caused many casualties to a military train.

OPERATIONS IN EAST AFRICA.

GEN. HOSKINS' DESPATCH.

(Reuter's Telegram.)
LONDON, Dec. 27.
Recd. 9 p.m., Dec. 28.

The "London Gazette" contains a despatch from General Hoskins describing the operations in East Africa from January 1st to May 30th. It deals mainly with the great difficulties of the rainy season which was the wettest for many years. It seriously hampered operations by interrupting communications and caused a great increase in malaria and dysentery necessitating the withdrawal of European and South African units. It was also necessary to substitute native carriers and mechanical transport for animal transport and also greatly to increase the medical services.

General Hoskins pays a tribute to the ready help of the Governments of India and South Africa, British East Africa Uganda and Zanzibar and especially thanks the Commander-in-Chief in India for his readiness to meet many demands. He also pays a tribute to the spirit and keenness of the troops the work of (Technical troops) supply and transport and medical services and to the assistance of the mercantile Marine and the Navy.

General Hoskins emphasises that the enemy suffered less than the British from the difficulties of the rainy season, because his whites were more acclimatised and his native soldiers were indigenous to the country. Moreover he was operating on the interior lines with veteran troops and his power of living on the country was accentuated by the fact that while the British took and paid for only what the villagers could spare, the Germans did not scruple to take all and after using men, women and children as porters they sent them back starving thus increasing the difficulties of the advancing British.

General Hoskins mentions that some Indian units which had borne the brunt of the fighting since 1914 suffered severely from sickness, but owing to the weakness of the units only certain Indians could be sent away to recuperate.

GERMANY IN AFRICA.

A DELIBERATE EXPLOITATION.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)
LONDON, Dec. 27.
Recd. 12 midnight Dec. 28.

In an article entitled the "World Political Importance of German East Africa" the "Cologne Gazette" frankly confesses that Germany has for years aimed at the creation of a German wedge dividing Africa from sea to sea. The paper says:—"Although Germany by a treaty in 1911 with France "apparently" made a final renunciation of the idea of a great colonial Empire she really aimed at the creation of a Germano-Belgian economic area in the Congo basin from the Indian Ocean to the Atlantic. Thus when the war commenced Germany was deliberately exploiting her incomparable geographical position in East Africa."

The "Cologne Gazette" proceeds to say that this position constituted "a wedge between English claims to sole domination in East Africa and South Africa—a dividing and immovable wedge as long as England did not let it come, to a trial of strength."

The newspaper confesses that great difficulties confront Germany's colonial war aims and adds:—"All our wishes will be realised only if, by our battles in Europe, we compel England to recognise us as an equal colonial power and to draw the necessary consequences in the future rearrangement of Africa."

"THE BOMBAY MOSLEMS' DEPUTATION."

HOW IT WAS DONE!

To the Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—The news that the Hon. Sirdar Ali Al Edroos is to head the deputation to the Rt Hon. E. S. Montagu and his Excellency the Viceroy on behalf of the Mussulmans of this Presidency has widely spread amongst the Mussalmans of this Presidency.

We beg to ask Sirdar Syed Ali and the gentlemen of the so-called deputation by whose authority they have undertaken to take such a deputation in the name of the community? Were the community consulted in preparing the draft of the address? Only three days are left and under such circumstances if nothing else can be done at least a copy of the same should be published in more than one daily of Bombay and abroad, so as to enable the members of the deputation to see whether it is approved by the community and at the same time to afford an opportunity to the recipient of the address to hear the wishes and voice of the community.

It is wonderful that the petition which is prepared by them is not brought before the public; yet poor Mussalmans are induced to sign the said petition on blank paper on which is written simply: "We, the undersigned, agree with the petition which is to be presented to the Secretary of State on behalf of the Mussalmans of the Bombay Presidency"!

Under these circumstances it is not advisable for Syed Ali and the members of the deputation to go before the Governor-General and the Rt. Hon. Edwin Montagu, and they have no authority whatsoever to present an address on behalf of the community. The attitude which he has chosen is quite arbitrary and unbecoming. They want to mislead the Secretary of State and the Government by claiming that they are the real representatives of the community, which they are not.

The people want to put a stop to the bureaucratic rule of some of the officials and to make the Indian public understand their rights and responsibilities in the affairs of their country, while Syed Ali and other members of the deputation are acting in a way that may be injurious both to the community and the country. If they do not agree with the community at large they are at liberty to express their opinion on behalf of themselves and their friends but they have no right whatsoever to go before the Secretary of State in the name of the community. If they do so it would be a great usurpation and an insult to the community.

We are glad to note that many of our leaders have refused to sign the aforesaid blank paper and have declared that they have no concern whatsoever with such addresses, which are injurious to the community.

We want to appeal to those persons who wish to sign the aforesaid blank paper to find out what petition they are going to sign thereby and to think over any clauses written against the welfare of the community and country.—Yours, etc.,

Hakim Ahmad bin Mahmud
Suleman Davji Abhu
Hakim Mohammed Masud
Mahomed Amad Mir
Husain M. Bagia
Md. Haji A. E. Bhabha
Esmail Ebrahim Kasuji
Abdulgafur M. Ahmad
Faizulla Hamdin
Ahmad M. Mulla
A. N. Khan Arbi
Alibhoy Hamdani
Musabhoy Hedarbhoy, M. B., B. S.
A. S. Ebrahim
Khadubhoy Khinkhabwala
Ebrahim Ahmad Mirza
M. S. Alibhai Hamdani.

(President, The All-India Moslem League, SURAT BRANCH.)

Surat, 25th Dec. 1917.

II.

To the Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—The way of some of the 'representatives of public opinion' is certainly very curious. Sirdar Syed Ali Edroos has joined in the scheme to present a separate representation on behalf of the Muslims of Western India to Mr. Montagu, disavowing the Congress-League scheme. For this purpose signatures are being taken on a blank form which is supposed to be a monster petition, to which no scheme of reforms is attached! I send you a copy of the same which I secured with great difficulty. The signatures, I understand are being taken privately.—Yours, etc.,

K. V. HORA,
(Hon. Sec. Home Rule League.)

Surat, 25th Dec. 1917.

III.

To the Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—We the undersigned members of the Bulsar Mahomedan community beg to state that we approve of the Swaraj scheme of Reforms prepared by the Indian National Congress and the All-India Moslem League jointly.

Two or three days ago two Mahomedan gentlemen from the Hon. Sayad Ali El Edroos of Surat arrived here and have been taking on a paper signatures of some Mahomedans. If that paper contains anything against the said scheme (as the paper is not available) we emphatically protest against it.

A public meeting to give expression to our approval of the said scheme is arranged to be held to-morrow.

H. H. HALIMBHA),
Vice-President, Anjuman-e-Islam of Bulsar.
Fakeerbhai Ismail
Ambu Sherkhan Kasambhai
Ismail Abdul Kade
Fakir Hussain (Sarag).
Chanbhai Rahimbhai Saidamota
Adamji Debimbhai Saidamota
Karimbhai Abdulrehman Peerji

CHANGE AT ADMIRALTY.

INDICATES NEW DEVELOPMENTS.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Dec. 27.
Recd. 9 p.m., Dec. 28.

The dramatic change at the Admiralty recalls the fact that Sir Eric Geddes had audience of the King at Sandringham on Christmas Day which occasioned much speculation. The new appointment has greatly surprised all, but is generally regarded as indicative of new developments especially in operations against submarine, rather than as emphasising the recent misadventures in the North Sea.

The Government is expected to supplement the present bare announcement by taking the public into fuller confidence and further extensive changes on the Board of Admiralty and the Naval War Staff are believed probable.

BRITISH PRESS COMMENTS.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)

LONDON, Dec. 27.
Recd. 11 p.m., Dec. 28.

Referring to the change at the Admiralty the "Daily Telegraph" says that the decision was conveyed to Sir John Jellicoe before Christmas and it was generally known in naval circles that he had not been at his post at the Admiralty since the 24th.

Sir Rosslyn Wemyss is best known for his dintinguished services at the landing and evacuation of Gallipoli. He is a man of wide interests and unfailing good-humour with great sympathy for the younger generation in the Navy. He has been deputy First Sea Lord for several months past.

"The Times" anticipates that greater opportunities are in store for the younger school of seamen whose experiences in the war will enable them to operate vigorously and resourcefully and progressively. Their advent fully accords with the wartime spirit and traditions of the Navy.

Referring to the "prevalent belief" that the Admiralty had lacked energy and prevision, the paper says:—"The growing justification of the present changes which will go far beyond the present announcements is the overwhelming importance of effectively grappling with submarines. The younger seamen are convinced that given a free hand they can entirely overcome them."

The "Daily Mail" says:—Recent events have made inevitable Sir John Jellicoe's retirement. Sir Eric Geddes deserves the nation's thanks for not shrinking from a painful duty.

The "Daily Chronicle" says:—We must content ourselves at present with hoping that those conversant with facts have been wisely guided.

The "Daily News" advocates the creation of a Naval General Staff as the only satisfactory guarantee that can be given to the country that it is securing competent naval administration.

The "Daily Telegraph" says:—Time alone can demonstrate whether the venture is justifiable. Sir Rosslyn Wemyss has a right to demand fairplay and freedom from captious criticism.

The "Daily Express" says:—The country looks to Sir Rosslyn Wemyss to produce the necessary change in the spirit and method and to make the Naval War Staff real and effective.

DOCTRINE OF VOLUNTARYISM.

MR HOLMAN'S HOPE.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

SYDNEY, Dec. 27.
Recd. 9 p.m., Dec. 28.

Mr. Holman, Premier of New South Wales who supported Premier Hughes' pro-Conscription policy expresses the hope that the Federal Parliament will afford the Tudor leader of the Federal Opposition every reasonable opportunity of testing his doctrines regarding voluntaryism.

FOOD CONTROL IN UNITED KINGDOM.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Dec. 28.
Recd. 1-45 a.m., Dec. 29.

The Food Controller takes possession of all oils and fats in or arriving in the United Kingdom on and after January 1st.

U. S. RAILROADS CONTROL.

DR. WILSON'S ACTION APPROVED.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.
Recd. 12 midnight Dec. 28.

Affected interests approve Dr. Wilson's taking over railroads and important financial arrangements are foreshadowed including an application to the Congress to sanction Government acquisition of an unlimited quantity of new railroads securities and the right to appropriate all earnings over an agreed figure. The Congress will be asked to appropriate twohundred million dollars for rollingstock.

The second contingent of the Indian Defence Force from Burma for training in India will not leave for their camp until after New Year's day. The first contingent are on their way back to Burma.

It is understood that heads of provincial governments will be invited to Delhi towards the end of next month to discuss there various matters in connection with the visit of the Secretary of State to India.

A Delhi message says:—

Sanction has been accorded to the institution known as the Assam Medical Examination Board to confer grant or issue in British India, degrees, diplomas, licenses, certificates or other documents stating or implying that the holder granted or recipient thereof is qualified to practise western medical science.

MUSLIM EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE.

"MADRAS MAIL'S" COMMENTS.

(Associated Press.)

MADRAS, Dec. 28.

The "Madras Mail" publishes a leading article on the Muslim Educational Conference in which comment is made on particular Muslim educational problems. It says "From the beginning of what may be called the Mahomedan educational renaissance, leaders of the community have insisted on the maintenance of two special features in their schools and colleges, viz., moral and religious training and instruction in schools in Urdu and in higher institutions in two classical languages of Indian Muslims, Arabic and Persian, and since it was difficult, if not impossible, for such instruction to be given in ordinary schools and colleges, the necessity arose for the maintenance of special Muslim institutions. Sir Syed Ahmed, the pioneer of western education among Indian Mahomedans and his coadjutors realised that if Mahomedans were to take their rightful share in the life of the country, they must first fit themselves therefor by liberal education. Hence, while other Indian communities were largely occupied with political institutions like the Congress, Mahomedan leaders wisely decided to concentrate their energies on work of education, for which purpose the body which is now holding its thirty-first session, the All-India Mahomedan Educational Conference was founded, and very good work it has done in the three decades of its existence."

The article concludes thus:—"We think the keynote of the day's proceedings was struck by the Chairman of the Reception Committee, Hajee Abdul Rahim Buksh Ellahi, when he advised Mahomedans not to fritter away their energies on visionary political experiments, but to concentrate on the far more vital problem of sane and progressive education of the community, a sentiment so much in accord with the views of the great founder of the Conference, that it might be made the motto of that body."

TECHNICAL INSTITUTION FOR MAHOMEDANS.

ESTABLISHMENT IN BENGAL URGED.

(Associated Press.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 28.

At to-day's sitting of the Mahomedan Education Conference a resolution was adopted urging the establishment of a technical institution in Bengal for Mahomedans. The Conference also urged the introduction of free and compulsory education, improvement of the prospects of teachers, representation of the Moslem community on the Senate of the Calcutta University.

The Conference meets again to-morrow.

PUBLIC MEETINGS IN AHMEDABAD DISTRICT.

WELCOME MR. MONTAGU AND SUPPORT CONGRESS-LEAGUE SCHEME.

(Associated Press.)

AHMEDABAD, Dec. 28.

Public meetings of citizens of Rojka, Dhanduka, Prantij, Kamalpur, Baleesana, Vadarad, Palachar, Pogaru, Harasol, Raslol, Lusa, Katpur, Sadolia, Memadpur, Raspur, Kesarda, Dholka, Gangad Bagodara, Vasai, Khari, Salois, Kalanbi and Navagaum of Ahmedabad district and of the citizens of Vehra, Dabhasi, Torna, Uttarasanda, Mahudha, Carasavani and Kathlal of Kaira district unanimously passed resolutions welcoming the Right Hon. E. S. Montagu and his Excellency the Viceroy to the capital of the Bombay Presidency and hoping that the Congress-League reform scheme will be given effect to by the Government of India. Many of the above meetings have despatched telegrams to the Secretary to Mr. Montagu conveying the resolutions passed.

TOO LARGE ATTENDANCE.

ALL-INDIA SOCIAL CONFERENCE POSTPONED.

(Associated Press.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 28.

The All-India Social Conference has been postponed *sine die*. The situation was that as the audience outnumbered the capacity of the University Institute Hall, where it was to have been held, it was decided to hold an open-air meeting at College Square, but even then attendance was too large for an orderly meeting.

JAIN SWETAMBAR CONFERENCE.

(From a Correspondent.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 28.

The sittings of the Jain Sewetambar Conference have been unavoidably changed from the 29th, 30th and 31st December to 30th, 31st December, 1917, and 1st January, 1918.

GHOLWAD'S SUPPORT TO CONGRESS LEAGUE SCHEME.

A public meeting of the citizens of Gholwad held on the 25th instant, unanimously passed resolutions welcoming Mr. Montagu and his Excellency the Viceroy, to be capital of the Bombay Presidency and requesting that the Swaraj Scheme adopted by the Indian National Congress and Indian Muslim League be given effect to by the Government of India.

PEERS AND SALE OF TITLES.

REVELATIONS IN THE LORDS.

In the House of Lords on October 31, Earl Loreburn moved his resolution requiring a declaration to both the Sovereign and the people that honours are not sold. A friend had told him that five or six years ago he had been three times offered a baronetcy for £25,000 and a knighthood for £15,000, the latter quotation being reduced to £10,000, with a promise that the subscription would count for a future baronetcy. He had heard of several such transactions.

SPECIFIC CASES WITH AMOUNTS.

Lord Selborne dealt with specific cases. He said that Sir James Gildea, secretary to the Soldiers' and Sailors' Families Association, had told him that he was offered £25,000 by one person and £10,000 each by two others towards the funds of the Association if he would undertake to use his influence to obtain a baronetcy or knighthood for each of the individuals concerned. Sir James declined to have anything whatever to do with such transactions, with the result that not a penny of the money went to the Association.

Another case was that of Mr. George Holman, who had been seven times Mayor of Lewes, Sussex, and had done much public work. At the end of his seventh mayoralty some of his friends interviewed the party Whip at headquarters with a view to getting some honour for him. The Whip agreed that it was a clear case for an honour, but asked, "What is he prepared to give to my party funds?" Mr. Holman said in no circumstances would he contribute to the party funds, and the Whip refused to carry the matter further without such a contribution.

AN APPLICANT IN THE "TRADE."

Other cases, Lord Selborne said, had been forwarded to him by Sir George Kekewich, formerly Permanent Secretary to the Education Department, and at one time member for Exeter. Sir George assured him that when he was in Parliament, at the time when the Licensing Bill of the Liberal Government was before the House, a friend of his, not unconnected with the "Trade," came to him and said he wanted a knighthood. He was introduced to the Whip, and was told there would be no great difficulty about his request. The man was a Liberal and a benefactor of the borough in which he lived, of which he had been Mayor. He was told there were two conditions he would have to follow. The first was to abandon his opposition to the Licensing Bill, and the second was to subscribe £5,000 to the party funds. The man agreed to these conditions, and his name appeared in the next list of honours.

Earl Curzon repeated his contention that party contributions should not be a bar to honours. But the Government meant to set their face against the scandals alleged. Still, the preamble to the resolution conveyed a serious implication on four living Prime Ministers. Lord Loreburn had worn the mantle of impeccable virtue, but he reminded him of the action taken by the Government of which he was a member in 1911, when it was announced that the then Prime Minister had received the assent of the Sovereign to the creation of a large number of peers in order to override any possible opposition to the passage of the Parliament Bill. How could he have defended the individual appointments in that case?

PREMIER'S CERTIFICATE.

The resolution was amended and finally adopted, without the preamble reflecting on Prime Ministers. This was defeated by 48 votes to 34. The operative words of the resolution will be:

It is desirable that the Prime Minister, before recommending any person for any honour or dignity, should satisfy himself that no payment or expectation of payment to any party or political fund is directly or indirectly associated with the grant or promise of such honour or dignity.

THE SAMURAI SPIRIT.

JAPANESE SAILOR GALLANTLY SAVES HIS CAPTAIN.

Yagi is a true Japanese. Not only did he gallantly save the life of the master of a British ship after she was torpedoed, but on being offered a money reward by the owner he refused it, saying—He only did his duty. So a gold watch with an inscription was given to him, and he has been recommended for a Royal Humane Society award.

A Naval patrol was in the vicinity when the merchant ship was struck, but there was a heavy sea running, and it was impossible to lower a boat. Several batches of survivors were rescued from bits of wreckage by carefully manoeuvring the ship, and when this had been done two men were seen about 50 yards away. One of them was holding the other's head out of water, notwithstanding that he himself was keeping afloat with difficulty and was being knocked about by the seas.

It was quite ten minutes before the ship could be brought into position to get these men on board, and by this time one was quite exhausted, and Yagi, who refused to desert his captain, was at the end of his strength.

"Undoubtedly, by his gallant self-sacrifice, Yagi saved the life of Captain——," writes the commander of his Majesty's ship ——, and I cannot speak too highly of this man's brave and unselfish conduct.

"BLIZON BELLE'S" DEATH.

A WELL-KNOWN MARE.

(Associated Press.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 28

The "Englishman" announces the death of Messrs. W. S. J. Wilson and Dowson's well-known mare "Blizon Belle."

There were 14,023 deaths and 17,651 seizures from plague in India during the week ending December 22nd. The following are the provincial figures:—Bombay Presidency, and Sind 4,521 deaths, Madras Presidency, 839, Bihar and Orissa 1,333, United Provinces 4,663, Punjab 592, Burmah 222, Central Provinces 882, Hyderabad State 591.

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WAR AND HUMANITY.

THE RELIGIOUS OUTLOOK.

The first public lecture in connection with the 42nd. Anniversary of the Theosophical Society, was delivered on Tuesday morning at the University Institute, Calcutta by Mr. C. Jinarajadasa. The topic was the "Theosophical Outlook: the problems of religion and philosophy."

The lecturer said that inspite of differences in the world of races and creed all men were united by having common griefs and struggles. This element of pain made us all enquire "what am I?" for, pain made us feel our individuality more All life was a process of discovering the solution to this question, "what am I"? Past religious teachers had given their solutions in their religions and philosophies which existed in the world. Each teacher spoke with authority and said "This I know because this I am." It was his discovery of himself which he stated as his religion or philosophy.

The Theosophist, said the lecturer, was sympathetic to all religions and philosophies because he looked upon them all as discoveries of portions of a great unexplored continent of the domain of life. Just as Africa was explored by some explorers going southwards and by others going northwards, eastwards and westwards so was it with the religions. They were all discoveries of the fundamental truths of life. The lecturer then described briefly the main ideas of the great religions and philosophies.

But religion to-day was almost a failure. No great religion could consider itself a success to-day while the millions of men were killing each other in the battle fields of Europe. Religion everywhere was formal and lacked vitality and one might almost say God was a failure. But this was not the reality; it was not God who was a failure; it was we who were failures, because we had not found God. For just as man sought God, so God sought man and if religion failed to-day it was only because we did not look for God where He looked for us.

God was looking for us now in men and women around us; these millions of the world "were our other selves," and we had to discover them first in order to find God. All our griefs and joys arose from contact with our fellowmen, but the suffering our fellowmen gave us as well as the joy made us discover more about them. Each discovery of the hopes and aspirations and griefs of a fellowman made us discover ourselves more. The more a man could understand his fellowman, the more he could solve the riddle, "what am I"? and the more a man knew what he was the more he knew what God was.

To-day God called on us to find him in the faces of fellowmen. God, Our Brother man, was the Gospel of Salvation. It was only by working for our fellowmen we could discover peace and happiness and that the divine nature within us would manifest itself. We must revive this doctrine of service in each religion, if the religions were to help men. Every tear that was wiped away from one sorrow enabled the door of kindly action to discover the God who was within himself. We must first see God in Our Other Selves round us; then we would know what we really were., which was the divine. God was looking at us from the faces of the poor and the out-caste as from the faces of the saints and from temples. We must reverence all men everywhere for that was the way of finding God. The road to God was through the hearts, of all our fellowmen, for there was only one God who is both ourselves and all humanity.

The second lecture of the course is on the "Problem of Education" by Mr. G. S. Arundale.

MADRAS NON-BRAHMIN CONFERENCE.

(Associated Press.)

MADRAS, Dec. 28.

The first Non-Brahmin Conference under the auspices of the South Indian Liberal Federation was held to-day under the presidency of the Raja of Venkatagiri. There was a large attendance including a number of non-Brahmin ladies. Rao Bahadur P. Theagaraja Chetty in welcoming the delegates said, he could not understand what their friends meant by representing their movement as reactionary and opposed to all progress. Their mainfesto had made it plain that they wanted a steady and sure advancement in political life and indicated the lines on which they required advancement, while they only opposed violent changes in the administration, the concentration of administrative power in the hands of an oligarchy, an attempt to make the character of Government unBritish, and taking advantage of the present difficult position of Government.

The President in the course of his speech said, that the cry of Home Rule raised in the middle of the war was both untimely and premature and the people of this country might well have waited till the last instalment of political reforms received in 1909 had been tried at least for a decade before demanding the next instalment of reform. Until non-Brahmin communities secured a proper share they could not hope to secure proper representation even though they were armed with franchise. He also urged that franchise should be placed on a communal basis.

CHRISTMAS TREAT AT VICTORIA TERMINUS.

A Christmas tree and treat for the children of the staff of the Administrative offices and station staff of the G. I. P. Railway, Victoria Terminus on Thursday evening, brought the Christmas festivities for 1917, of this Railway to a happy conclusion.

The pretty gardens in front of the entrance to the offices were tastefully decorated with coloured electric light and the tree, laden with beautiful gifts, was set up on the centre of the lawn. The band of the 1st, G. I. P. Regiment was in attendance for the early part of the evening.

Sports were held from 4 to about 5 o'clock when the children, headed by the band playing, were marched to the Tea Tables which were laid along the corridor on the ground floor.

Mr. Cooper, of the Co-operative Credit Society, was a great attraction as "Kaiser Bill" in the form of a Jack-in-the-Box, the children having pop shots at him with rubber balls every time he made an appearance over the top of his box.

The distribution of the gifts commenced at 6 p.m. Mrs. Hepper who was accompanied by Major Hepper, very kindly presented the gifts to the children, and had a kindly word of encouragement to each and every child. The presence of Major and Mrs. Hepper was greatly appreciated by all present.

The honours of the arrangements fall to Mr. Tom Adams, the President of the tree and treat committee, Mr. E. W. W. Guest, Honorary Secretary, and Mr. E. Brown, who purchased the toys, and last, but by no means least, Messrs. Stewart and Hall for the decorations.

Everything went with a happy swing from start to finish, the children were pleased with their presents and parents were likewise fully satisfied.

CHRISTMAS SPORTS AT MAHIM BUNDER.

The Mahim Catholic Association held its annual Christmas Tree and Sports on Wednesday on the Mahim Bunder, lent for the purpose by the Traffic Manager, Bombay Port Trust. The whole ground was profusely decorated with flags and bunting and a beautiful Christmas Tree loaded with toys for little children was planted in the centre of the course. The Rev. Dr. B. de Monte, Vicar of the Cathedral of our Lady of Hope, Bombay, presided on the occasion. An interesting programme of sports was gone through, all the items being keenly contested. After the first part of the sports, the toys were taken down from the Christmas Tree and distributed to over 150 children.

GAZETTE OF INDIA.

(Associated Press.)

DELHI, Dec. 28.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

Mr. Surendranath Bannerjea is appointed additional member, Indian Legislative Council vice Mr. Bhupendranath Basu (Bengal) resigned.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Mr. Justice C. F. Napier and Mr. Justice Kumaraswami Sastri are appointed to act as additional judges Madras High Court for one month from 1st January.

REVENUE AND AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

Mr. S. G. M. Hickey is confirmed in Civil Veterinary Department.

FOREIGN AND POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

The Consulate General for Italy in Calcutta has been reduced to the rank of Consulate.

COMMERCE AND INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENT.

Importation is prohibited of the pamphlet called "Self-Government for India" published by Aktiebolaget Cholius Co., Stockholm, and issued by the Indian Nationalist Committee.

ARMY DEPARTMENT.

Major R. Scott, Cantonment Magistrate, Supernumerary list, is granted six months leave.

The following gentlemen are appointed to the I.A.R.O.

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MARINE DEPARTMENT.

Engineer Lieutenant Commander R. Vincent is promoted Engineer Commander.

IMPORT INTO UNITED KINGDOM.

(Associated Press.)

DELHI, Dec. 27.

By proclamation dated the 21st December, His Majesty's Government have prohibited the import into the United Kingdom except under license from His Majesty's treasury of all bonds, debentures, shares, or stock certificates, scrip and other documents of title relating to any stocks, shares, or securities with the exception of matured bonds redeemable in the United Kingdom and coupons falling due for payment in the United Kingdom.

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PLOT TO LAND ARMS.

GRAVE SPEECH BY PREMIER.

The debate on Mr. Redmond's Vote of Censure in the Commons on October 23 culminated in the grave statement by the Premier to the effect that the Government knew that arrangements were being made by the Germans to land arms in Ireland again, writes the "Daily News," while he indicated that strong measures would be taken against the Sinn Fein rebels. Mr. Redmond's motion was defeated by 211 votes to 78.

In moving his resolution of censure, Mr. Redmond explained that the Convention had held 22 sittings. It is the most representative body of Irishmen that has met for a century, and the only body that refused to send delegates was Sinn Fein. The discussions have been frank and cordial, and within the Convention there are no wreckers. Ulster leaders are to be "acquitted of any such diabolical wickedness." They are "anxious for a settlement." Cardinal Logue has said that such settlement alone stands between Ireland and chaos, which judgment Mr. Redmond corroborates, as did Mr. Duke and Mr. Asquith. Far better, argued Mr. Redmond that the Convention should never have been held than that it should fail. Yet he hinted that there were influences which desired such a catastrophe, and his case was that the Irish Executive is provoking unrest, while the Convention aims at peace. He says that if every word of the Convention's proceedings could be published, they would redound greatly to Ireland's credit, and he added that, at this moment a committee of the Convention is drafting what would be the first agreed settlement of the Irish problem.

DUBLIN CASTLE INDICATED.

What about Dublin Castle in the meantime? Having amnestied the Sinn Fein prisoners, so as to create a good atmosphere, so Mr. Redmond argued, the Government should have avoided provocation. Instead, the Government had first challenged the Sinn Feiners and then allowed themselves to be defied. By arresting insignificant men, and trying them by military courts for trivial offences, the Government had made martyrs and inflamed passions. There are three armed forces of volunteers in Ireland—the Ulstermen, the Sinn Feiners and the National Volunteers. Recent searches for arms had been confined to the National Volunteers. Sir Edward Carson's Volunteers shared immunity with Sinn Fein, though they are "armed to the teeth."

Before the amnesty Sinn Fein prisoners were treated as politicals in Lewes Gaol, where they did not associate with ordinary criminals. After the amnesty, when convicted of far less serious offences, they were given ordinary prison treatment, and hunger strikes occurred. Thomas Ashe died, and afterwards, when it was too late, the matter was put straight. In Cork the prisoners were first denied political privileges, and then, when food was refused, they were released outright. "Honestly," cried Mr. Redmond, "I do not know who governs Ireland to-day."

MR. DUKE'S REPLY.

This attack Mr. Duke met with the reply that the allegations presented, misleading in a number of particulars, were quite inadequate to support a charge against administrative authorities, however much complaint there might be against the particular acts of subordinate officers. "This is a time of great crisis in Ireland. The question is whether the Government is safeguarding the Convention by such means as are in its power or whether there is some sinister design, some hidden hand, or some silly or unconscious instrument for the destruction of the Convention." He recalled his own anxiety for the success of the Convention and complained of being covertly accused of being the man who was the instrument of its destruction.

"I didn't say that," interposed Mr. Redmond.

"Everybody knows it has been said, How can these machinations be going on—unless I were a born idiot—without my knowledge," said Mr. Duke in retort. So far as he knew there was no enemy of the Convention in his Executive.

He passed to a review of the condition in Ireland. It was a country "practically immune" from the war. There was an unparalleled prosperity in her chief industry, her public services were maintained, her supplies of food were cared for, and her young men, the bower of her youth, had been exempted from conscription. There were 200,000 of her young men being enrolled by avowed enemies of the Empire and of the Allies for the purpose of creating a new rebellion in Ireland. ("Hear, hear.") And yet the Government was accused of being tyrannical and provocative. (Laughter.) Ireland had advantages at this time which, so far as he could judge, were not shared by any other community in Europe. (Cheers.)

Mr. Duke proceeded to justify the record of the Government in their dealings with Sinn Fein. How had the clemency of the Government in releasing the Sinn Fein prisoners in England been requited? When in prison in Lewes some of the leaders were considering schemes for the reorganisation of the rebellion, and immediately they were released they started setting up the old scheme of rebellion. In one of the "silly arrests" that had been denounced the Government captured evidence of the whole scheme of operations for an armed revolt. The document spoke of the

Reorganisation of the Irish Volunteers to put them in a position to complete by force of arms the work begun by the men of Easter week. . . . The executive will not issue an order to take the field until they consider that the force is in a position to wage war on the enemy with reasonable hopes of success. At the right moment the order will go forth to strike. Then let it be done relentlessly.

At this point there were cries of "Carson did the same" and some brief disorder was observed on the benches below the gangway where the Nationalists were sitting.

In the rebellion last year it was the helping hand of Germany that was extended—("Hear, hear")—and last February a number of people had to be deported for being engaged in a conspiracy to which the same helping hand was being again extended. (Cheers.) He justified the seizure of the rifles of the Irish Nationalist Volunteers, of which great complaint had been made, on the ground that there was serious danger of their falling into the hands of the rebels because the Volunteers could not guarantee their safe custody. The arms of the Uister Volunteers had not been seized because they were too well guarded to fall into dangerous hands.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE.

Mr. Lloyd George wound up the debate for the Government with a strong speech. He urged, in response to Irish protests of tyranny, that Mr. Duke had certainly striven to avoid anything in the nature of provocation, but toleration must not go too far. Mr. de Valera, the Sinn Fein member for East Clare, had been delivering calm, deliberate, and almost cold-blooded incitements to rebellion. In view of the fact that a rebellion occurred only 18 months ago and that the Government had information of another intrigue to get German rifles into Ireland, the Government could not treat speeches of that kind as though they were of no moment. "To save the poor people who honestly believe they are doing their best for their country from being over-persuaded by others, I think it is essential that the Government should take action—not provocative action, but firm action," added Mr. Lloyd George, and the House became at once expectant.

"In the interests of the Convention and of Ireland itself there are three things the Government must make clear. First, incitements to rebellion cannot be permitted. ("Hear, hear.") The language of de Valera has no other meaning. Germany nearly landed arms 18 months ago, and we know that arrangements were made by Germany to land arms again. It was done partly by Bernstorff. We know that."

OUT FOR SECESSION.

De Valera has said, "If Germany comes along with arms we will take them." How can any Government pass that by? (Cheers.) Secondly, the Government were determined that anything that was part and parcel of an organisation must be stopped. People might laugh about such an incident as the arrest of a number of Boy Scouts—he did not know all the facts—but what was going on in Ireland was a deliberate attempt to enroll hundreds of thousands of young men who, if they had been in this country, would have been compulsorily enlisted. (Loud cheers.) It was not Home Rule for which these people were striving. They were out for secession. They did not use that word but called it Sovereign Independence for Ireland; but that was what they meant. "The Government cannot accept that," said Mr. Lloyd George firmly, and again there was cheering. That was the third point.

He had been asked whether if the Convention arrived at a substantial measure of agreement the Government would at once carry it into law, not leaving that over for another Parliament. "The life of this Parliament does not altogether depend on the Government," he remarked, "but I am assuming that the present Parliament lasts long enough to enable that to be done. The intention of the Government, the whole interest of the Government, is to pass that agreement into law the moment it is arrived at. One does not forget the case of a previous agreement, when there was fatal delay." ("Hear, hear.")

Mr. Dillon: Do I understand the Prime Minister to pledge the Government, immediately the Convention comes to an agreement, to put a Bill through this Parliament as fast as they can?

"Certainly. I have no hesitation in saying that," answered Mr. Lloyd George promptly. He repeated that he had supported Mr. Duke's policy of toleration, "but," he added, "I have come to the conclusion that he is right when he decides that if speeches take the form of incitement to action of the kind which brought such a catastrophe last year he will not be doing his duty if he permits it to go on." (Cheers.)

A turbulent speech by Mr. T. M. Healy preceded the division. He was never prouder of his countrymen, he told the House. His country had at last achieved the stature of greatness, and stood no more grovelling to English Ministers for scraps from their table, and he took his stand with his country.

Mr. Redmond's motion was rejected by 211 to 78.

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PROTOPOPOFF INTERVIEWED IN HIS CELL

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The place of "detention" of these formerly distinguished gentlemen is the notorious Troubetskoi bastion of the Fortress of Saint Peter and Saint Paul, where for two centuries of Russian unrest there have been imprisoned high-born traitors, pretenders to the throne, assassins, nihilists, and bomb-throwers in general.

As a result of a month's negotiations finally endorsed by the Premier M. Kerensky, a correspondent of the Associated Press was permitted to visit the historic prison, which he thus describes in the Salt Lake "Tribune."

The bastion, which is a part of the obsolete fortification, is on the banks of the Neva. It is a two-storey hexagonal building surrounding a court yard along five sides of which runs a double tier of low, arched windows, securely barred. The sixth side is a high wall.

According to popular belief the bastion cells are "stone sacks," which, being below the level of the river, are liable to inundation, but this idea is erroneous. The lower row, in which there are thirty-six cells is on the ground level, but there are no prisoners here, and the upper storey, with the same number of cells, is out of the reach of the recurring river floods.

The correspondent made his visit accompanied by the Assistant Procurator of the High Court of Petrograd. Before inspecting the cells they visited the prison chancellery, and the writer continues:

Pointing to one of two doors the Procurator said: "Inside are prisoners under examination." He opened the first door immediately, showing a stoutish, grey-bearded man, who was Bieletsky, gesticulating to an examining magistrate; while through the other door, when it was opened, could be seen only a regular aquiline profile silhouetted against a barred window.

"That is Protopopoff," said the Procurator closing the door.

The correspondent was then conducted to the cells on the upper storey, in which the prisoners are confined at present. They open on a corridor which follows the hexagonal construction of the building. On one side of the corridor are barred windows opening out on the court-yard, while on the other side is a row of red painted, ironbound, oaken doors, with slots for peering and pigeon-holes, which may be closed at will, for handing in food to the occupants.

Returning to the chancellery, the correspondent examined the roll of past captives among whom were the terrorist assasin Gershuni, and the chemist, Nicholas Morosoff, held in the bastion for twenty-five years under suspicion of complicity in the assasination of Alexander II.

In the roll were two other entries of a striking character in a different way. The first reads:

"1905, January 12; Pieshkoff Alexis Maximovitch." This is the real name of Maxim Gorky. The second entry reads: "Gillik Issye, identity uncertain; believed surname Mazantzeff; handed over for execution, February 7, 1908."

One of the most striking incidents of the visit occurred while the roll was being examined, and is thus described by the correspondent:

PROTOPOPOFF.

After putting his head into one of the side rooms the Procurator announced that the examination within the room had been finished. Into the chancellery, with two soldiers behind him, walked, well dressed but collarless, a man of middle height, slight figure, small features and a short, grayish beard, with eyes unnaturally bright and almost feverish and an expression of extraordinary refinement and dignity.

"That," said the Procurator, "is M. Protopopoff."

The former Minister of the Interior stopped in the middle of the room.

"We can speak, English," he began, at which the Procurator intervened.

"Please do not," he said.

On this M. Protopopoff, with a smile apparently intended to express sarcasm, began speaking in Russian. Asked regarding his health, he answered enigmatically, "it is too good."

Asked whether he had any complaints to make, he replied:

"I have no complaints of any kind. Would any of your Americans complain if they knew they were desperate criminals?"

Here M. Protopopoff smiled again, apparently in sarcasm, and the correspondent, thinking the words were intended as an oblique protest against his treatment, said:

"You mean that as Irony?"

"It is not irony," answered M. Protopopoff. "I have no right to complain because I am guilty of crime."

"That," said the correspondent, "is a strange remark in the presence of the Procurator, whose duty is to pile up evidence against you."

The former minister's head again was thrust quickly to one side as he said, without a smile.

"I supply the evidence myself. I am guilty of the most awful crime of not understanding the spirit of my age."

Repeating the words, "spirit of my age" in Russian, Protopopoff, followed by his soldier guards, went out of the room.

LABOUR PARTY WOMEN.

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Capt R S Whitmore, Shropshires.
WOUNDED.
Second-Lieut J S Agnew, Highland Light Infantry.
Second-Lieut H W Allin, Shropshires.
Second-Lieut J Black, Tank Corps.
Second-Lieut J V Church, Shropshires.
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Second-Lieut H T R Cripps, Dragoon Guards.
Second-Lieut I C Daniels, Engineers.
Second-Lieut G H J Day, Tank Corps.
Second-Lieut W A Duke, Tank Corps.
Lieut H W G Duthy, Field Artillery.
Capt L Godwin, Durhams.
Second-Lieut C S Goodfellow, Flying Corps.
Lieut A J Gowans, Machine Gun Corps.
Major W Hudson, Engineers.
Lieut W V Jones, Lancashire Fusiliers.
Capt J A E May, Tank Corps.
Second-Lieut W R Martin, Irish Rifles.
Second-Lieut G Napier, Border Regiment.
Lieut R B Newson, Royal Fusiliers.
Second-Lieut C F Packer, Royal Fusiliers.
Second-Lieut D M Pitchford, Border Regiment.
Second-Lieut W D Robertson, Engineers.
Second-Lieut R Souter Tank Corps.
Second-Lieut D Stevens, South Staffords.
Second-Lieut J L Sutherland, Tank Corps.
Second-Lieut C P Tiptaft, Connaughts.
Second-Lieut F L Waine, Tank Corps.
Second-Lieut H P Wells, Garrison Artillery.
WOUNDED AND MISSING.
Second-Lieut J C F Harter, Hussars.
Second-Lieut F M Pryce, South Wales Borderers.
PREVIOUSLY MISSING BELIEVED KILLED NOW WOUNDED AND MISSING.
Second-Lieut S C Ridgwell, Essex.
MISSING.
Second-Lieut G H L Tallent, Northamptons.
WOUNDED AND PRISONER.
Capt D St P Bunbury, Remount Service.
PREVIOUSLY PRISONERS NOW WOUNDED AND PRISONERS.
Lieut G W Mumford, Service Corps.
Second-Lieut W C Smith, Flying Corps.
Second-Lieut N J Taylor, Flying Corps.
PRISONER.
Lieut-Colonel S F Newcombe, Engineers.
PREVIOUSLY MISSING NOW PRISONERS.
Second-Lieut A Davison, Irish Rifles.
Second-Lieut E A L F Smith, Flying Corps.
Second-Lieut R M Smith, Flying Corps.
PREVIOUSLY WOUNDED NOW NOT WOUNDED.
Second-Lieut W C Potter, Essex.
OFFICIAL CORRECTIONS.
KILLED.
Second-Lieut V R R Filmer, Dragoon Guards, should read Dragoons.
Second-Lieut H E W Pickard-Cambridge, Yeomanry, should read Lieut.
WOUNDED.
Second-Lieut R B Strang, Garrison, Artillery should read Lieut.
Second-Lieut F W Brooks, Hampshires, should read Lieut.

NAVAL CASUALTIES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 19.

KILLED.

Lieut-Commander Thomas M Winslow, Reserve.
Engineer Lieut-Commander Ernest G Ede, R. N.
Acting Lieut Herbert A Sorel Cameron, Reserve.
Acting Lieut John Brown, Reserve.
Acting Lieut Alexander T Macgregor, Reserve.
Surgeon Kinelm M Dyott, R. N.
Sub-Lieut William H F Gould, Reserve.
Engineer Sub-Lieut George C Gray, Reserve.

DIED.

Engineer Lieut Andrew Cant, Reserve.
Midshipman Dixwell I Alderson, R. N.
PREVIOUSLY MISSING NOW KILLED.
Flight Sub-Lieut William J Burnett, R. N.
MISSING FEARED KILLED.
Acting Commander Charles H Oxlade, Reserve.
Acting Lieut Charles Stewart, Reserve.
WOUNDED.
Surgeon Probationer Harold Gordon, Volunteer Reserve.
ACCIDENTALLY INJURED.
Flight Lieut Ambrose B Shearer, R. N.
PREVIOUSLY MISSING NOW PRISONER.
Flight Lieut Walter S Magrath, R. N.

LONDON, Dec. 25.

DIED OF INJURIES.
Flight Lieut Joseph Gorman, R. N.
PREVIOUSLY MISSING BELIEVED DROWNED NOW DROWNED.
Observer Sub-Lieut Harold Odle, R. N.
MISSING.
Flight Sub-Lieut Samuel S Richardson, R. N.
SEVERELY WOUNDED.
Lieut Ernest H Taylor, Marine Artillery.
SLIGHTLY INJURED.
Flight Sub-Lieut James A Morell, R. N.
Probationary Flight Officer George W Cooper, R. N.
WOUNDED.
NAVAL DIVISION.
Sub-Lieut George H R Pauling, Volunteer Reserve.

CASUALTY LISTS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Dec. 12.

The following casualties are announced:—

KILLED.
Major G J M Bagot-Chester, Scots Guards.
Second-Lieut G A Baker, Garrison Artillery.
Capt W H Beaumont-Nesbitt, Grenadiers.
Second-Lieut G Bell, Lancs Fusiliers.
Capt C Cundall, Inniskillings.
Second-Lieut R C C Drummont, Coldstreams.
Second-Lieut H P Ellis, Yeomanry.
Second-Lieut B R J Gilbert, South Staffords.
Second-Lieut G D Greenless, Black Watch.
Lieut S L Hanan, Field Artillery.
Second-Lieut C F Hartley, Coldstreams.
Second-Lieut C I Henderson, East Surreys.
Lieut-Colonel R Hindle, North Lancs.
Capt W N Lowe, East Surreys.
Capt J Sherley, Veterinary Corps.
Second-Lieut W Sinton, Border Regiment.
Lieut P J Walsh, Dublins.
Second-Lieut F G Wheatcroft, East Surreys.
Second-Lieut H W Windeler, Grenadiers.
PREVIOUSLY MISSING NOW KILLED.
Second-Lieut T R Wilson, Tank Corps.
DIED OF WOUNDS
Capt N Algeo, Leinsters.
Second-Lieut J D Brown, Highland Light Infantry.
Second-Lieut R H Gray, Horse Artillery.
Second-Lieut L R Keighley, Lancasters.
Lieut Hon A M Kinnairds, Scots Guards.
Lieut L Morgan, East Kents.
Second-Lieut F R H Newington, Londons.
Lieut A E Seamans, Garrison Artillery.
Second-Lieut M A W Tuite, Londons.
Second-Lieut C T Watson, Londons.
Lieut D M Watson, Yeomanry.
Second-Lieut A B Wilkie, Irish Rifles.
ACCIDENTALLY KILLED.
Lieut G H Lort, Field Artillery.
WOUNDED.
Second-Lieut P Adamson, North Lancs.
Capt W W Aikman, Field Artillery.
Second-Lieut R C Andrews, Scots Guards.
Lieut E G U Arbuthnot, Lancers.
Second-Lieut A H Ballard, Field Artillery.
Second-Lieut P G Beaurepaire, East Surreys.
Second-Lieut E A Bingen, Sussex
Second-Lieut J McK Black, Highland Light Infantry.
Second-Lieut W N Brettell, Oxford and Bucks.
Capt C R Britten, Grenadiers.
Second-Lieut Hon J A Burns, Scots Guards.
Lieut H L J Butler, Engineers.
Lieut G R S Byass, Yeomanry.
Lieut C V Carlisle, Lancers.
Capt R A A Chichester, Somersets.
Second-Lieut W L Cleburne, Machine Gun Corps.
Second-Lieut H St C Cooper, Grenadiers.
Capt J J Crabtree, North Lancs.
Lieut E A Crane, Engineers.
Second-Lieut L J Darlington, North Lancs.
Second-Lieut P Donkersley, Wellingtons.
Second-Lieut E M Eaterby, North Lancs.
Capt P Fisher, Yeomanry.
Major J H Foster, Highland Light Infantry.
Second-Lieut R Furness, Lincolns.
Second-Lieut S J Gale, Engineers.
Second-Lieut A Glynne, Flying Corps.
Second-Lieut F G Green, North Lancs.
Second-Lieut Sir J L Hanham, Grenadiers.
Capt Hon H A V St G Harmsworth, Irish Guards.
Lieut S S Harrison, Irish Guards.
Second-Lieut J K Harvie, Hussars.
Second-Lieut J D Hay, Lancasters.
Lieut W W Hayes, Lancers.
Major V B Hilton, Field Artillery.
Second-Lieut G H R Hoare, Grenadiers.
Second-Lieut C W T Hodgson, Middlesex.
Second-Lieut C B Hollins, Grenadiers.
Lieut E R Horler, Durhams.
Second-Lieut A G Horton, Scots Guards.
Capt A T Houghton, North Lancs.
Capt J S Hughes, Grenadiers.
Second-Lieut R C Jones, Welsh Regiment.
Second-Lieut F Jotcham, Engineers.
Lieut Lord H Kennedy, Coldstreams.
Capt O Kingdom, Bedfords.
Second-Lieut A M Kinnear, Flying Corps.
Capt A B Kitson, Devons.
Lieut E A Lawson-Johnston, Dragoon Guards.
Second-Lieut E W Lennard, Irish Rifles.
Second-Lieut T W McCallum, Camerons.
Second-Lieut L T Marler, Garrison Artillery.
Capt F K Matthew, North Lancs.
Lieut R I Maxwell, Field Artillery.
Rev R J Monteith, Chaplain.
Capt A J Metcalfe Morrison, Medicals.
Lieut-Colonel G D Morton, Liverpools.
Second-Lieut W J Nagel, Dublins.
Second-Lieut G E Oakden, Machine Gun Corps.
Second-Lieut F R Oliver, Grenadiers.
Capt W R L Patterson, Irish Rifles.
Second-Lieut B J A W Pratt, Yorkshires.
Second-Lieut W R Reay, Machine Gun Corps.
Second-Lieut H R Ridealph, Field Artillery.
Capt G C Robb, Irish Rifles.
Major A Russell, Engineers.
Lieut A M Scott, Scots Guards.
Capt H S L Scott, Hussars.
Second-Lieut E L Shaw, South Staffords.
Second-Lieut E A Sursham, Coldstreams.
Lieut P G Swann, Yeomanry.
Second-Lieut R Tivey, North Staffords.
Second-Lieut D L Tweedie, Lancasters.
Capt A E Wand, Leicesters.
Second-Lieut E D Whitton, Yeomanry.
Lieut H G Wiggins, Grenadiers.
Second-Lieut R B Wilkinson, North Lancs.
Second-Lieut F S Williams, Engineers.
Second-Lieut W S J Williams, East Kents.
Second-Lieut J M F Wreford, Irish Guards.
WOUNDED MISSING.
Second-Lieut R L Coltman, Coldstreams.
Lieut R H Harker, East Surreys.
Second-Lieut F R Ward, Highland Light Infantry.
MISSING BELIEVED WOUNDED.
Second-Lieut E C Long, Grenadiers.
MISSING.
Second-Lieut J Beveridge, Highland Light Infantry.
Lieut G P Bowes-Lyon, Grenadiers.
Lieut R Haddock, Highland Light Infantry.
Second-Lieut H Hilton, Highland Light Infantry.
Second-Lieut C Hyde, Garrison Artillery.
Lieut J H Jobling, Lancs Fusiliers.
Lieut F W Lanham, East Surreys.
Second-Lieut G E B McIndoe, Highland Light Infantry.
Second-Lieut J Mackenzie, Flying Corps.
Second-Lieut F G Macleod, Highland Light Infantry.
Second-Lieut A R Sclanders, Highland Light Infantry.
Capt G C Smith, Highland Light Infantry.
Second-Lieut S Souden, Highland Light Infantry.
Capt W A G Stevenson, Highland Light Infantry.
Second-Lieut H W M Thomas, Highland Light Infantry.
Second-Lieut D Thomson, Highland Light Infantry.
Second-Lieut A Watt, Highland Light Infantry.
KILLED.
Capt W O Bell-Irving, Hussars.
Capt E W Edwards, Welsh Regiment.
Capt J S Fletcher, Welsh Fusiliers.
Lieut V C Hares, Shropshires.
Lieut-Colonel W Kennedy, Welsh Regiment.
Capt J J Shannon, Medicals.
PREVIOUSLY WOUNDED MISSING NOW KILLED.
Lieut F A Rupp, Border Regiment.
PREVIOUSLY MISSING NOW KILLED.
Second-Lieut E Braithwaite, Warwicks.
Lieut S W Shippard, North Lancs.
DIED OF WOUNDS.
Lieut E D Asheroft, Engineers.
Second-Lieut F D Edmands, Service Corps.
Second-Lieut J M Garlick, Argylls.
Second-Lieut H E Kyte, Irish Rifles.
Lieut L J Mortimer, Royal Fusiliers.
Lieut H A Price, Somersets.

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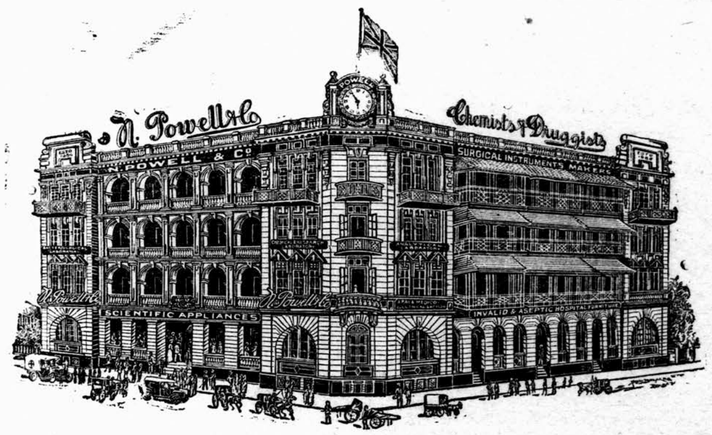

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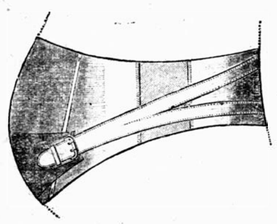

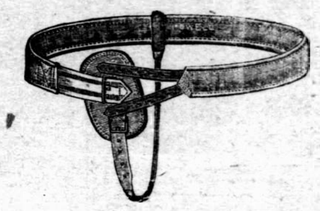

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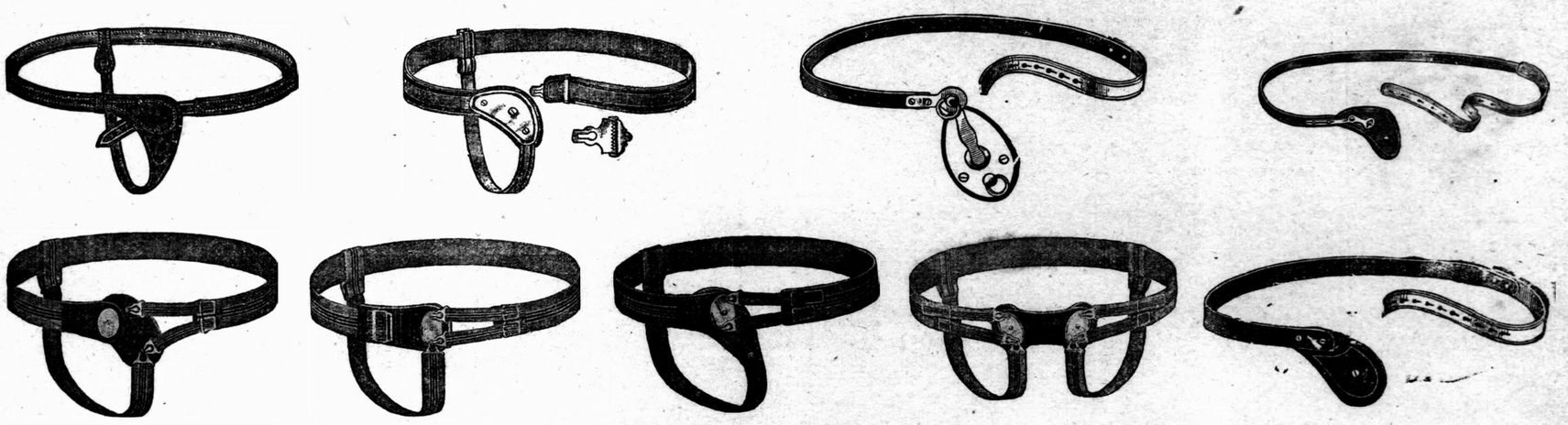

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STATEMENT AT MARATHA CONFERENCE.

(From a Correspondent.)

KHAMGAON, Dec. 27.

H. H. the Maharaja of Kolhapur arrived at Khamgaon Station at 11-20 a.m., and was received by leading members of the town. His Highness was garlanded by the chairman of the reception committee, after which he was taken in prossession through the crowded streets.

The proceedings of the Conference commenced at 3-40 p.m., with songs praising "Bhawani" and the Motherland. The Hon. Mr. Standon, Commissioner, Berar, and other officers were present. The chairman of the reception committee in his speech thanked his Highness and delegates and compared the present war with the "Pouranik" wars. He refered to the ancient heroism of the Marathas and drew attention to their duty. He requested Government to make full use of military education.

Mr. Khasherao Jadhao then proposed his Highness to the chair. Rao Bahadur Vandekar seconded. His Highness having been elected to the chair read his address. He observed that he came there as a Maratha peasant and soldier and not as a Maharaja. He thanked Government for opening the doors of education to all. He said he was for Home Rule. He agreed with Lord Sydenham (*sic*). He described the evil effects of the caste system and the necessity of communal representation, commercial education and military education and advised Marathas to help the war with money and men and to serve the Empire. He concluded by wishing success to the Conference.

FIRST SEVEN DIVISIONS.

GREETING TO ABSENT COMRADES.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

DELHI, Dec. 27.

The following telegrams are published from Secretary of State for War, London to the Commander-in-Chief, Delhi 15th December 1917:—"The following for troops concerned under your command. Those assembled to-day in Albert Hall, London, at a meeting honoured by the presence of their Majesties the King and Queen Alexandra, to commemorate the heroic deeds of the first seven divisions, send their warmest greetings to all absent comrades, and wish them good luck and a victorious home coming.

From Commander-in-Chief to Secretary of State for War, dated Delhi 18th December:—Your telegram. In the name of the troops under my command, who formed part of those gallant first seven divisions, I desire to express our sincerest gratitude for the kind thoughts and the good wishes of our noble comrades in England and to convey our most heartfelt wishes to the sick and wounded of them for a speedy return to health to be fit for an early and complete victory and to one and all for good luck in the coming year."

WAR CHARITIES.

Lyons has hit upon an idea for helping war charities which may appeal to those who find that bazaars are a weariness and flag days and concerts are played out, writes the "Daily News." It is a national literary competition, open to every French citizen of either sex, and every competitor is to pay an entrance fee of 50 francs. The prizes are objects of art, presented by the President and Ministers, and the 50 best works are to be published in book form. This latest provision, the cynic will say, is a concession to human weakness which will not do even works of war charity without some chance of limelight. The competitors are to write a thousand words of prose, or a maximum of a hundred lines of verse on any of the following subjects: "The Devastated Forests," "The Tragedy of the Depths of the Sea," "Legends Concerning the Stories of Churches," "Tombs and Cradles," "Fire and Steel." The subjects are chosen, it will be seen, so as to be appropriate to the hour, and yet for all time.

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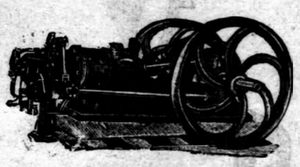

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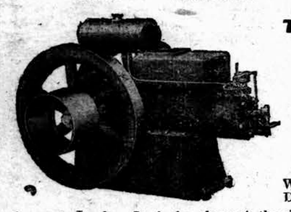

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Afghan Memorial Church, Colaba—Chaplain Rev. R. L. Wormald, 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 10 a.m., Parade Service; 5-15 p.m., Sunday School; 6-30 p.m., Evening Service.

All Saints Church, Malabar Hill.—8 a.m., Matins; 8-30 a.m., Holy Communion; 6-30 p.m., Evensong.

St. Mary the Blessed Virgin, Parel.—Chaplain Rev. J. B. Glass. 8 a.m., Morning Prayer; 8-30 a.m., Holy Communion; 6-30 p.m., Evensong and Sermon; Preacher Rev. J. B. Glass.

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St. Paul's, Kamatipura (S.P.G.), Foras Road.—7 a.m., Matins; 7-30 a.m., Holy Communion; 8-30 a.m., Holy Communion (Choral); 6-30 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

Christ Church, Byculla.—7-0 a.m., Holy Communion (Plain); 7-30 a.m., Morning Prayer; 8-0 a.m., Holy Communion (Choral); 5-15 p.m., Children's Service; 6-30 p.m., Evening Prayer and Sermon.

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St. Peter's, Mazagon.—6-30 a.m., Holy Eucharist: 7-15 a.m., Matins and Litany; 8-0 a.m., Choral Eucharist; 6-30 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

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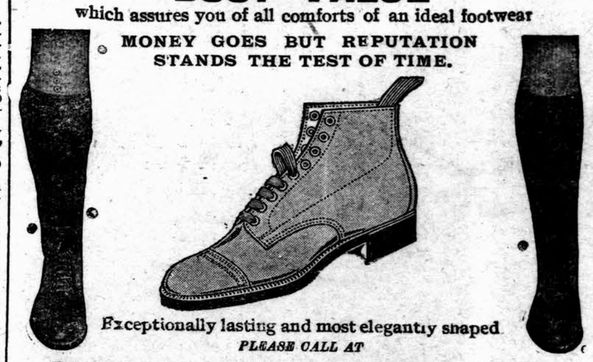

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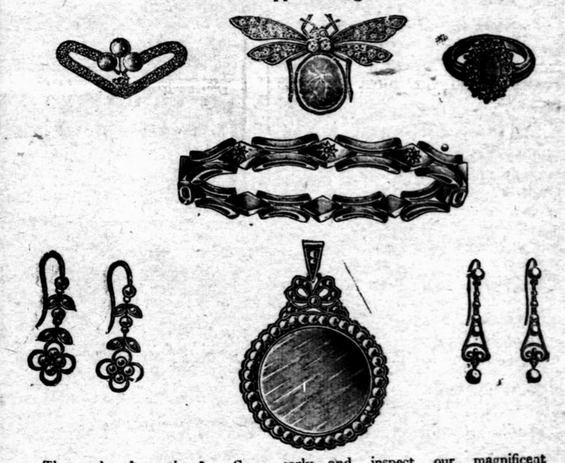

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Forecast:—Decrease of rain along north-east Frontier and increase in Burma.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

Summary of observations recorded at 8 hours on Friday, the 28th December 1917, giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

The Punjab.—Rainfall has been local in the north Punjab; Rawalpindi has had 0.12 in. Skies are clear or lightly clouded. Humidity is normal or in excess. Day temperature is in defect in the north Punjab but in excess at Hissar; night temperature is in excess at some stations.

The United Provinces.—Skies are clear. Temperature has risen and is now in excess at Mainpuri during the day.

Sind and Rajputana.—Skies are lightly clouded in upper Sind and clear elsewhere. Humidity is in defect in upper Sind and normal or in excess over the rest of the division. Night temperature is in excess at Jacobabad and Bikaner.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—Skies are clear. The air is damper than usual in Kathiawar and north Gujarat. Temperature has fallen and is now in defect at night in Kathiawar and Gujarat.

The Central Provinces.—Skies are clear. Night temperature is in defect at some stations.

The Konkan.—Skies are clear. Temperature has fallen and is now in defect at Ratnagiri and Mormugao.

The Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Skies are clear or lightly clouded. Night temperature continues in defect in the southern half of the division.

General Remarks.—The disturbance in the Punjab has given light local rain in north Baluchistan and the north Punjab and has nearly disappeared. Conditions seem to be unsettled in the Bay of Bengal.

Dry weather is likely generally.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN at 8, a. m. on FRIDAY the 28th of December 1917.

STATIONS.	Temp. in Shade. Maximum of past 24 hours.	Minimum of past 24 hours.	Humidity. 8 A. M.	Rainfall, Past 24 hours.	Total 1st Nov. to date.	Departure 1st Nov. to date.
PERSIAN GULF—						
Bushire ..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Do. (27th Dec.) ..	69.2	49.1	85	..	0.98	—5.43
Jask ..	71.5	55.2	60	..	2.37	+0.89
Do. (27th Dec.) ..	73.3	54.0	76	..	2.37	+0.93
Muskat ..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Do. (th Dec)	..	..	..	..	..	..
PUNJAB—						
Multan ..	69.2	46.8	83	..	0.02	—0.28
Rawalpindi ..	60.5	36.8	95	0.12	3.73	+2.68
Lahore ..	66.0	43.8	94	0.01	0.02	—0.38
Hissar ..	75.9	41.1	99	—	0.18	.../
Ambala ..	71.7	47.3	91	..	0.69	—0.02
Delhi ..	71.5	49.0	68	..	0.19	—0.35
UNITED PROVINCES—						
Agra ..	75.6	50.3	73	..	0.06	—0.28
Mainpuri ..	77.3	46.3	71	..	0.04	—0.48
Jhansi ..	79.6	8.8	65	..	0	—0.33
Cawnpore ..	75.6	47.7	91	..	0.40	—0.06
Allahabad ..	73.2	46.3	87	..	0.39	—0.18
SIND AND RAJPUTANA						
Jacobabad ..	75.3	47.4	34	..	0.02	—0.17
Karachi ..	77.6	59.1	71	..	0	—0.15
Ajmer ..	75.8	44.7	76	..	0	—0.41
Jaipore ..	76.5	45.1	69	..	0	—0.34
Kotah ..	81.6	52.6	54	..	0	—0.31
Mount Abu ..	63.2	45.9	44	..	0	—0.35
GUJARAT, KATHIAWAR AND CENTRAL INDIA						
WEST—						
Bhuj ..	80.0	48.7	83	..	0	—0.15
Dwarka ..	77.3	62.2	81	..	0	—0.06
Veraval ..	83.1	58.6	80	..	0	—0.37
Rajkot ..	79.1	44.9	9	..	0	—0.28
Bhavnagar Para ..	83.6	52.0	84	..	0	—0.23
Surat ..	81.9	66.3	58	..	0	—0.15
Ahmedabad ..	81.8	52.8	55	..	0	—0.19
Deesa ..	82.8	44.3	63	..	0	—0.15
Neemuch ..	79.7	45.8	50	..	0	—0.39
Indore ..	81.7	48.0	65	..	0	—0.52
CENTRAL PROVINCES—						
Jubbulpore ..	76.6	45.7	77	..	0.06	+0.25
Saugor ..	79.6	56.0	41	..	0	—0.90
Hoshangabad ..	81.5	48.6	80	..	0	—0.90
Khandwa ..	84.7	62.5	60	..	0	—0.70
Akola ..	85.6	8.0	51	..	0	—1.06
Amraoti ..	84.3	55.5	46	..	0	—1.04
Nagpur ..	83.1	51.0	53	..	0	—1.21
Chanda ..	82.5	47.0	78	..	0	—1.02
Raipur ..	80.1	52.8	64	..	0	—0.68
KONKAN—						
Bombay ..	81.9	65.3	61	..	0	—0.45
Ratnagiri ..	84.7	65.1	58	..	0.98	+0.44
Marmugao ..	79.8	66.5	76	..	5.95	+4.61
Karwar ..	88.2	61.3	88	..	1.10	—0.74
BOMBAY DACCAN AND HYDERABAD—						
Malegaon ..	85.2	48.3	58	..	1.40	+0.80
Ahmednagar ..	81.8	50.5	54	..	1.14	+0.21
Poona ..	84.0	49.3	69	..	3.65	+2.64
Sholapur ..	84.4	53.2	52	..	0.54	—0.61
Bijapur ..	82.5	51.4	50	..	1.07	—0.09
Belgaum ..	82.1	58.8	54	..	4.61	+2.88
Aurangabad ..	83.4	52.6	50	..	0.38	—0.27
Nizamabad (Indur) ..	82.9	50.2	70	..	0	—0.70
Hyderabad ..	80.2	51.7	75	..	1.49	+0.44
MALABAR AND CEYLON						
Bangalore ..	86.9	67.0	71	..	2.39	—0.82
Calicut ..	85.4	66.3	76	..	7.22	+1.45
Cochin ..	89.2	69.5	75	..	13.84	+6.04
Colombo ..	82.7	67.9	9-	..	15.34	—2.04
MADRAS (EXCLUDING MALABAR) AND MYSORE—						
Masulipatam ..	91.3	61.0	74	..	11.29	+5.30
Bellary ..	85.5	56.7	44	..	2.14	+0.06
Cuddapah ..	85.5	57.4	73	..	4.11	—0.08
Madras ..	81.9	64.8	87	..	12.09	—6.63
Bangalore ..	81.3	52.8	47	..	1.69	—1.70
Coimbatore ..	87.2	66.3	66	..	6.45	+2.20
Trichinopoly ..	84.5	62.0	74	..	5.67	—1.69
Negapatam ..	80.4	66.0	75	..	33.69	+7.57

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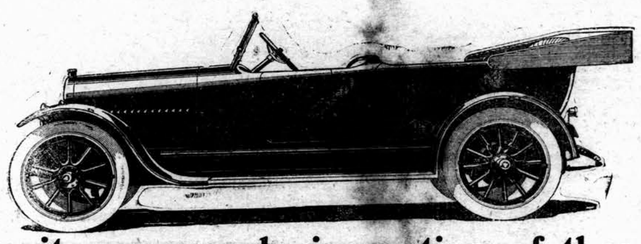

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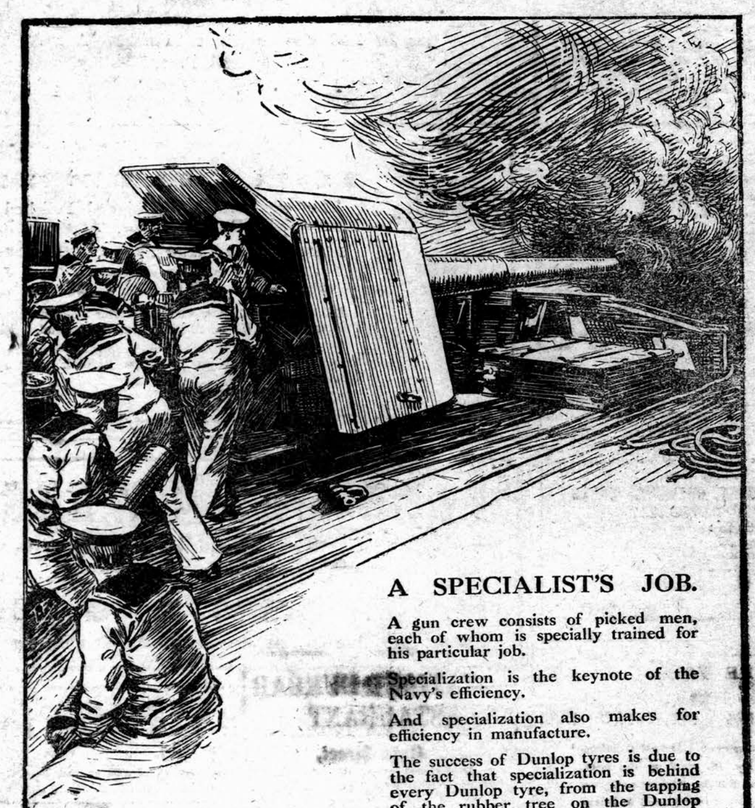

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